JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF NORTH-CAROLINA, AT ITS SESSION 1862-'63.

RALEIGH: W. W. HOLDEN, PRINTER TO THE STATE. 1862.
At a General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, begun and held in the city of Raleigh, on Monday, the seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and in the second year of the Independence of the Confederate States of America, being the day appointed by law for the meeting of the General Assembly, the following members of the House of Commons appeared, exhibited their credentials and were qualified according to law:

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Columbus ........................................... Wm. M. Baldwin,
Craven ............................................. Rich'd A. Russell,
Cumberland and Harnett ..................... J. G. Shepherd,
Davidson ......................................... John McCormick,
Davie ................................................ Neill McKay,
Duplin .............................................. Robert L. Beall,
Edgecombe ........................................ Henry Walser,
Forsyth ............................................ Henry B. Howard,
Franklin .......................................... Lem. W. Hodges,
Gaston ............................................... John D. Stanford,
Granville ......................................... David Cobb,
Greene ............................................... John P. Nissen,
Guilford .......................................... E. Kerner,
Gates ............................................. A. W. Pearce,
Haywood ........................................... A. W. Davenport,
Henderson ........................................ Robert B. Gilliam,
Iredell ............................................ Jas. S. Amis,
Jackson .......................................... Eugene Grissom,
Johnston .......................................... Henry H. Best,
Jones .............................................. R. W. Glenn,
Lenoir ............................................ M. S. Sherwood,
Macon ............................................... Wm. R. Smith,
Madison ........................................... Wm. H. Manning,
McDowell .......................................... Henry Joyner,
Mecklenburg .................................... A. H. Davis,
Montgomery ..................................... Sam'l L. Love,
Moore ............................................... Alex. Henry,
Nash ............................................... Thos. A. Allison,
New Hanover ................................... John Young,

Anthony E. Rhodes,
W. W. Dunn,
J. M. Lyle,
Jesse Wallen,
W. F. Craig,
John L. Brown,
E. C. Grier,
E. G. L. Barringer,
Alex. Kelly,
Henry G. Williams,
Sam'l J. Person,
John R. Hawes,
Northampton ....................... Sam'l T. Stancill,  
Onslow ............................ Jas. H. Foy,  
Orange .............................. Wm. N. Patterson,  
Pasquotank ........................ Wm. E. Mann,  
Person ............................... M. D. C. Bumpass,  
Randolph ........................... Jonathan Woth,  
Robeson ............................. M. S. Robbins,  
Rockingham ........................ Murdock McRae,  
Rowan ............................... Neill McNeil,  
Rutherford ........................ W. J. Gilliam,  
Stanly ............................... Jas. T. Reynolds,  
Stokes .............................. N. N. Fleming,  
Wake ................................. F. E. Shober,  
Warren .............................. A. R. Bryan,  
Watauga ............................. J. B. Carpenter,  
Wayne ............................... Lafayette Green,  
Yadkin .............................. Wm. H. Flynt,  
Yancey .............................. G. H. Alford,  
Wake ................................. Wm. Laws,  
Warren .............................. Dan'l G. Fowle,  
Watanga ............................. Thos. J. Judkins,  
Wayne ............................... L. Henderson,  
Yadkin ........................ ...... Wm. Horton,  
Yancey .............................. M. K. Crawford,  
Watanga ............................. B. B. Rives,  
Yadkin .............................. A. C. Cowles,  
Yancey .............................. D. M. Young.

On motion of Mr. Love John Parks, of Burke county, whose certificate of election was not in proper form, was allowed to take his seat.

Mr. Cowles moved that Messrs. E. M. Welborn and W. W. Hampton, of the county of Wilkes, whose certificates of election had been misplaced, should also be allowed to take their seats. Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fowle moved that Eli Spruill, of the county of Tyrrell, who had received a majority of the votes of the soldiers from that county, but who had no certificate of election from the sheriff, on account of the presence of the enemy there, be allowed to take his seat.

Mr. Person moved to refer the subject to a select committee of three to be appointed by the Clerk. Not agreed to.
The motion of Mr. Fowle was then agreed to, and Messrs. Spruill, Wellborn, Hampton and Parks were qualified according to law.

It appearing that there was a quorum present

Mr. Burgin moved that Robert S. Gilliam, Esq., of Granville, be appointed Speaker of the House.

Mr. Stanford asked that the name of Hon. Jesse G. Shepherd be added to that in nomination, but at the request of Mr. Shepherd withdrew the name.

The House then proceeded to vote as follows:

The following members voted for Mr. Gilliam:


The following voted for Mr. Shepherd:


The following voted for Mr. Fleming:


The whole number of votes cast was 92, of which Mr. Gilliam having received a majority, was declared duly elected, and was conducted to the Chair by Messrs. Fleming and Shepherd.

Mr. Waddell moved that Lieutenant General Leonidas J. Polk, who was present, in the lobby, be invited to a seat within the bar of this House.
The motion was agreed to unanimously, and Mr. Waddell was appointed to conduct General Polk to a seat.

The House then proceeded to elect a Principal Clerk.

Mr. McCormick moved that Henry E. Colton, of Starr's Light Artillery, be appointed Principal Clerk.

The House then proceeded to vote as follows:

The following members voted for Mr. Colton:


Having received the whole number of votes cast, Mr. Colton was declared duly elected Principal Clerk.

The House then proceeded to the election of Assistant Clerk:

Mr. Williams nominated Wm. H. Joyner, of Franklin.

Mr. Cowles nominated John A. Stanly, of Beaufort.

The House then proceeded to vote as follows:

The following members voted for Mr. Stanly:

Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Best, Bryson, Bumpass, Burgin, Carpenter, Cowles, Craig, Flynt, Fowle, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Howard, Horton, Kelly, Kerner, Laws, Lyle, Mann of Pasquotank, McAden, McCormick, McNeill, McRae, Nis-
sen, Parks, Patterson, Richardson, Rhodes, Robbins, Russell of Brunswick, Sherwood, Shober, Spruill, Waddell, Wallen, Walser, Watson, Wellborn, Woodall, Worth, Young of Iredell and Young of Yancey—56.

And the following voted for Mr. Joyner:

The whole number of votes cast was 90, of which Mr. Stanly having received a majority was declared duly elected.

The House then proceeded to the election of Doorkeepers.
Mr. Walser nominated, Wm. S. Webster, of Chatham, for Principal Doorkeeper.
Mr. Worth nominated John II. Hill, of Randolph, for Assistant.

These gentlemen were then duly elected, in each instance receiving the whole number of votes cast.

On motion of Mr. Love,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate informing that body of the organization of the House by the election of Robert B. Gilliam, Speaker; Henry E. Colton, Principal Clerk; John A. Stanly, Assistant Clerk; Wm. S. Webster, Principal Doorkeeper, and Jno. H. Hill, Assistant Doorkeeper; and of our readiness to co-operate with that body in the despatch of public business.

On motion of Mr. Love,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1862.
Received from the Senate a message, by Mr. Edwards, their Clerk Assistant, informing this House that the Senate has been duly organized by the appointment of Giles Mebane
Speaker; O. R. Thomas, Principal Clerk; L. C. Edwards, Assistant Clerk, Wm. R. Page, Principal Doorkeeper, and C. C. Tally, Assistant Doorkeeper; and that they are ready to proceed to the despatch of public business.

Received from the Senate a message, by their Clerk Assistant, Mr. Edwards, that

The Senate proposes to raise a joint committee of two on the part of each House to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him of the organization of the two Houses;

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Waddell and Williams constitute the House branch of the committee.

The following members appeared, exhibited their credentials and were qualified in accordance with the law:

Edgecombe, .................... Robert Bynum,
Martin, ......................... James R. Robason,
Northampton, .................. W. W. Peebles,
Pitt, ............................. Churchill Perkins,
Sampson, ...................... Wm. Kirby,
Union .......................... C. Q. Lemmonds.

On motion of Mr. Waddell,

Ordered, That the rules of the last House of Commons be adopted for the government of this House for the present.

Mr. Fowle presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of four be appointed, to take into consideration the expediency of authorizing the Governor to buy provisions and produce in the Eastern Counties, and to provide means of conveying it from thence, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

This resolution was read and agreed to.

Mr. Foy presented a resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be requested to examine the complaints against extortioners and speculators, and report a bill to remedy the same.

Mr. Watson presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be authorized to pur-
chase five hundred copies of the Ordinances of the Convention for the use of the members of this House.

Which was read the first time, and under a suspension of the rules, was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Love, it was so amended as to read after the word "purchase," "one copy for each member of the House of Commons and Senate and the officers of the two Houses."

The resolution as amended then passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Amis:

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate transmitting the resolution and requesting their concurrence in the same.

Mr. Foy presented a memorial from sundry citizens of Onslow county.

Mr. Waddell from the committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, reported that his Message will be sent in immediately.

Ordered, That Messrs. Fowle, Russell, of Brunswick, Peebles and Cowles, constitute the committee under Mr. Fowle's resolution.

Received from the Senate a message, by their Clerk Assistant, Mr. Edwards, that the Senate proposes to go into an election of Public Printer, this day at 1 o'clock, and states that W. W. Holden has been placed in nomination, and asks the concurrence of the House in the same;

Which proposition was agreed to.

Received from His Excellency, Governor Vance, by his private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, the following communication, which having been read, was, upon motion, ordered to be transmitted to the Senate with the documents accompanying, and a proposition that the message be printed, twenty copies for each member of the House and Senate and one hundred copies for the Governor.

Received from the Senate a message, that the Senate agrees with the House of Commons in the resolution to purchase the ordinances of the Convention.

Received from the Senate a message, that the Senate pro-
poses to raise a joint select committee of three upon the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to prepare rules for the joint government of the two Houses.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shepherd, Amis and Keener constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. McKay presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed on the rules and regulations of the House of Commons, and that they have two hundred and fifty copies printed for the use of the members thereof, at as early a day as practicable.

Which was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. McKay, Shepherd, Amis, Keener, and Shober constitute that committee.

Mr. Amis introduced a resolution in favor of William R. Lovell;

Which was read first time and passed, and under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Peebles introduced a bill, no. 2, to exempt persons over 45 years of age from military duty in the militia.

Mr. McKay from the committee on rules, reported the rules of last session with some amendments, which, being agreed to, were ordered to be printed.

The Speaker announced the reception of the Treasurer's report.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Received from the Senate a message, that the Senate has passed a resolution in favor of J. W. Alspaugh, and asks the agreement of the House to the same.

The resolution was read the first time and passed, and under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second and third readings.

The hour having arrived to enter into the election of a Public Printer,

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate informing
that body that the name of W. J. Palmer, is also in nomination for Public Printer, and that the House will proceed to vote upon the return of the messenger.

The House then proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Holden:


And the following for Mr. Palmer:


On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1862.

Mr. Walser, from the committee to superintend the election of Public Printer, presented a report that the whole number of votes cast was 134, necessary to a choice 68, of which Mr. Holden received 79, Mr. Palmer 53, Mr. Pennington 1, and Mr. Spelman 1. Mr. Holden is therefore declared elected.

The following members appeared, presented their credentials, and were qualified in accordance with the law:
Mr. Shepherd from the Joint Committee on Rules, reported the rules of last session without amendment.

The Speaker presented a letter from the Public Printer elect, which was read.

RALEIGH, November 19, 1862.

Hon. Robert B. Gilliam,

Speaker of the House of Commons:

Sir: I beg leave to say that I accept the office of State Printer, to which I was elected yesterday by the joint vote of the two Houses of the General Assembly.

It is, perhaps, proper that I should add that I did not desire the office, and that I had asked none to support me, nor even to put me in nomination for it. My ordinary business as a printer and publisher requires all my time and attention, and is more agreeable and profitable to me than the office of State Printer. Indeed, on learning that I had been elected, I determined to decline, and such was my purpose formed several months since; but inasmuch as I have been elected, and as the public business may be delayed if I should decline, and as I am always disposed to serve my friends and the State when called upon to do so, I accept the office, and will endeavor to discharge its duties, as I trust I have heretofore done, with fidelity and despatch.

It has been suggested on the score of economy that it is desirable that the Legislature should take the necessary steps to have the public printing executed at the Asylum of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind in this city. No citizen of the State is more anxious than I am to save the public money and lighten the burthens of the people, and no one is less disposed than I am to realize profits, at a crisis like the present, out of the State Treasury; and without expressing an opinion as to the propriety of establishing a State Printing Office, I beg
leave to say that if the Legislature should see proper to put the Asylum printing office in a condition to do the public work, I will at once and with pleasure retire from the office of the State Printer, and shall be gratified if the plan suggested should operate in such a way as to promote the public interests.

Permit me to add, in conclusion, that I am profoundly grateful to those who voted for me for State Printer, and that I will spare neither pains nor expense to execute the work promptly and faithfully.

I have the honor to be, sir, with much respect,

Your obedient servant,

W. W. HOLDEN.

Mr. Love introduced a bill, No. 5, to prevent during the war, monopolies, extortions and speculations in articles of general use and consumption. Read and passed first reading and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lyle, a bill No. 6, concerning Roads. Read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Fowle, from a Select Committee, presented a report and a bill, No. 7, for the purchase of provisions. Read first time and passed, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to raise a joint committee to wait upon the Governor and invite him, if desired, to a private conference with the two Houses.

Received from the Senate a message, announcing its concurrence in the proposition to wait upon the Governor, and that Messrs. Bagley and Russ are the committee on their part.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shepherd and Cowles constitute our part of that committee.

Mr. Peebles introduced a bill, No. 8, concerning Sheriffs. Read first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Joint Select Committee to wait
upon the Governor, reported that he would meet the two Houses at 1 o'clock P. M. of to-day.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate inviting that body to meet the House of Commons in conference with the Governor at 1 o'clock.

Mr. Shepherd introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Propositions and Grievances be instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing work houses in connection with our prisons.

Which was read and agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message accepting the invitation of the House of Commons to meet in private conference with the Governor at 1 o'clock.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shepherd, Waddell and Person constitute a committee to make arrangements to receive the Governor and Senate.

Mr. Harris, of Cabarrus, introduced a bill, No. 9, to continue in force the Ordinance of the Convention prohibiting the distillation of spirituous liquors. Read first time and passed, ordered to be printed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The hour set apart to hear a private communication from His Excellency, the Governor, having arrived, the House went into secret session.

After which, on motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1862.

B. G. Albritton, member elect from Pitt county, appeared, presented his credentials and was qualified in accordance with the law.

The Speaker appointed the following standing committees under the rules of the House:

On the Judiciary—Messrs. Donnell, Fowl, Person, Flem-
ing, McAden, Waddell, Shober, McKay, Robbins, Holmes and Benbury.


And the following as our part of the Joint Standing Committees:


On Military Affairs—Messrs. Fowle, Person, Mann of Pasquotank, Stancill and Cowles.

On Cherokee Lands and Western Turnpikes—Messrs. Gentry, Bryson, Bryan, Craig and Love.


On the Lunatic Asylum—Messrs. Carson, Glenn, Riddick, Hawes and Richardson.

Mr. Waddell presented a resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's Message as refers to a more efficient patrol in the different counties of the State be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Beall introduced a bill, No. 11, to authorize the Governor to employ slave labor on Government defences.

Read first time and passed; ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Glenn, a resolution requiring the officers of the Militia to act as a Patrol. Read first time and passed and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Lyle, a bill, No. 12, to incorporate the Macon County Leather Company. Read first time and passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Waddell,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go into an election of one Engrossing Clerk at 12 o'clock to-day.

Mr. Cowles introduced a bill, No. 13, to abolish the office of State Geologist. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Walser, a bill, No. 14, concerning the currency. Read first time, passed, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate, a message that the Senate proposes to recommit the Joint Rules to the Committee which reported them;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the resolution introduced by him concerning prison work-houses, was referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, the bill introduced by him concerning Sheriffs, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Foy, the resolution introduced by him
concerning extortioners, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate, a message stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition of the House of Commons to go into an election of one Engrossing Clerk, and informing the House that Messrs. Walter Huske and Lewis W. Joyner are in nomination.

Received from the Senate, a message that Messrs. Sharpe, Hall and Young constitute its branch of the Committee to superintend the printing of the rules, &c.

Ordered, That Messrs. Sherwood, Watson and Love constitute our part of said committee.

Received from the Senate, a message stating that the Senate has appointed Thos. C. Miller a magistrate for the county of New Hanover and asked the agreement of the House to the same;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foy, the memorial of certain citizens of Onslow County was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Avera introduced a bill, No. 15, in relation to the Justices of Johnston county. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Kerner, a resolution, No. 16, in favor of John Fisher. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Private Bills.

The hour set apart for the election of an Engrossing Clerk having arrived, the House proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Huske:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Best, Brown, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Carpenter, Carson, Cowles, Craig, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Hawes, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Joyner, Keener, Kelly, Kerner, Kirby, Laws, Long, Lyle, Mann of Pasquotank, Manning, McCormick, McKay, McNeill, McRae, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Perkins, Person, Richardson, Rob-

The following for Mr. Joyner:


Mr. Waddell from the committee to superintend the election of Engrossing Clerk, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 137, necessary to a choice 69, of which Mr. Huske had received 104, Mr. Joyner 33. Mr. Huske is therefore declared elected.

Mr. Love moved that the House do now adjourn; which was disagreed to.

Mr. Amis introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House appoint a select committee of five to inquire into the practicability and expediency of establishing a Printing Office for the State, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Peebles,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House of Commons proposes to raise a joint select committee of five upon its part, and three upon the part of the Senate, to whom shall be referred the consideration of the subjects treated upon in the verbal communication of the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The House adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1862.

Jas. H. Riddick, the member elect from the county of Perquimans, appeared, presented his credentials and was qualified in accordance with the law.
On motion of Mr. Love, his bill concerning monopolies and speculations was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Kerher presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the propriety of appointing a committee whose duty it shall be to visit our sick and wounded soldiers in the hospitals and camps and relieve their wants and procure furloughs or discharges for them.

Mr. McKay presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to fix prices of articles of prime necessity.

Mr. Manning presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire what legislation is necessary in relation to taxes on property taken or destroyed in portions of our State now in the possession of the enemy.

On motion of Mr. Burgin, that portion of the Governor's Message which relates to the taxation of slaves was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Bryson introduced a resolution in behalf of disabled soldiers and the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Peebles presented the following resolution:

Resolved. That such portion of the Message of the Governor as relates to the raising of a force of 10,000 men be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill, No. 22, in reference to the salaries of Judges of the Superior Court. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, a bill, No. 21, to amend 53d chapter, 9th section of the Revised Code. Read first time passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bryson, a bill, No. 20, to authorize the Agent of Cherokee Lands to refund the purchase money in certain cases.
Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Mr. Shepherd, a bill, No. 19, to authorize the President and Directors of the Literary Fund, to elect a Treasurer.—Read first time, passed and Referred to Committee on Education.

Mr. Headen, a bill, No. 18, to authorize the Magistrates of Chatham county to levy a tax for the purpose of working roads in said county. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Brown, a bill, No. 17, to amend the charter of the Western Plank Road Company. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Ordered, That Messrs. Mann of Pasquotank, Harris of Cabarrus, Shepherd, Bernhardt and Sherwood constitute the committee to inquire into the propriety and practicability of having the government printing done at a State institution.

Mr. Lyle introduced a resolution, No. 24, in favor of Joseph Welch. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Mr. Burgin, a bill, No. 23, to establish the 8th Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee and ordered that it be printed.

On motion of Mr. Worth,
The House adjourned until to-morrow, 11 o'clock.

SATURDAY, November 22, 1862.

Mr. Logan presented a memorial from the King's Mt. Baptist Association. Read and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to raise a joint select committee on the verbal communication of the Governor.
Ordered, That Messrs. Peebles, Allison, Shober, Shepherd, and Fowle constitute our part of said committee.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Perkins for eight days, to Mr. Cobb until Wednesday next, and to Mr. Dunn for the same time.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably, with amendments, H. No. 12, a bill to incorporate the Macon Leather Company.

On motion of Mr. Lyle
The bill was read the second time. The committee amendments were agreed to and the bill passed.

Mr. Fowle, from the same, reported adversely, the bill, No. 8, concerning Sheriffs.

The bill was read the second time and laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Love
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House proposes to go into an election of Solicitor for the 7th Judicial Circuit at 1 o'clock to-day.

Received from the Governor, by his Private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, a message, transmitting the Report of the President, Directors and Superintendent of the Insane Asylum.

Ordered, That it be sent to the Senate with a message stating that the House proposes to print said Reports.

Mr. Wallen presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Internal Improvements be instructed to inquire into the propriety of authorizing the Governor to employ slaves on works of Internal Improvements in the State.

Mr. Waddell introduced a resolution, No. 26, to enable the Governor to employ and impress slave labor on State defences. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Shober,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House proposes at 12 o'clock to-day to go into an election of Comptroller, and that C. H. Brogden is in nomination for that office.
On motion of Mr. Amis, a letter of Thos. S. Hoskins relative to the election of Commoner from Chowan county was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Greene introduced a resolution, No. 27, in favor of John Blaylock. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Russ, a resolution, No. 25, in favor of Benjamin Fitzrandolph. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Foy, a bill, No. 28, to raise 10,000 troops for the defence of North Carolina. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered that it be printed.

Mr. Foy moved to suspend the rules that the bill might be read the second and third times.

Which motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Henry, of Henderson, introduced a bill, No. 28, in relation to costs in suits at Law and Equity. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, the rules were suspended and the bill No. 7, concerning the purchase of provisions was placed upon its second and third readings.

Mr. Fowle presented a substitute for the second section, which was agreed to.

Mr. Shepherd offered an amendment to strike out "§200,000," and insert $500,000, which was agreed to.

Mr. Waddell offered an amendment, to authorize the Governor to compel Railroad Companies to carry the freight, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cowles, the vote by which Mr. Fowle's amendment was agreed to was reconsidered.

Received from the Senate a message, agreeing to the proposition to go into an election of Comptroller at 12 o'clock to-day.

Ordered, That Messrs. Kelly and Grier constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election,
The hour set apart for the election having arrived, the House proceeded to vote.

Those who voted for Mr. Brogden, are:

The consideration of the bill concerning the purchase of provisions was resumed.

On motion of Mr. Worth the bill and amendments were recommitted to the Select Committee.

Mr. Foy introduced a bill, No. 30, concerning Patrol. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Walser, a bill, No. 29, for the relief of the sick and wounded soldiers in the army. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Kelly, from the Committee to superintend the election of Comptroller, reported that the whole number of votes cast is 129, of which C. H. Brogden received 129, and is therefore declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd the rules were suspended and the bill, No. 12, to incorporate the Macon County Leather Company was taken up and passed its third reading.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Avera until Tuesday next.
Received from the Senate a message agreeing to the proposal to go into an election for Solicitor of the 7th Circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs. Lyle and Nissen be the committee to superintend the election.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived the House proceeded to vote.

Those who voted for Mr. Merrimon, are:


On motion of Mr. Cowles,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go immediately into an election of Solicitor for the 1st Judicial Circuit, and stating that Mr. Jesse J. Yeates is in nomination for that office.

Mr. Lyle, from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor for the 7th Circuit, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 127, of which Mr. Merriman received 127, and is therefore declared elected.

Received from the Senate a message stating the agreement of that body to the proposition to go immediately into an election of Solicitor for the 1st Circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs. Riddick and Spruill be the committee on the part of the House to superintend the election.

The House then proceeded to vote:
The following members voted for Mr. Yeates:


Ordered, That Messrs. Waddell, Logan, Grier, Bryan, and Judkins, constitute our part of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Riddick from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 125, of which Mr. Yeates had received 125, and is therefore elected.

Received from the Senate, a message transmitting an engrossed resolution entitled "A resolution prohibiting the transportation of articles of prime necessity beyond the limits the State."

This resolution was read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the rules were suspended and the resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Amis presented an amendment, which was agreed to. The resolution was further amended by motions of Messrs. Peebles and Cowles.

The resolution then passed its second and third readings.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate transmitting the resolution and amendments, and asking agreement of that body to the same.
Received from the Senate, a message agreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Mann, Ordered, That the resolution be printed and four copies of it sent to each Sheriff in the State.

The resolution entitled, "A resolution to prohibit the transportation of articles of prime necessity beyond the limits of the State," was then ratified.

The House adjourned until Monday 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, November 24, 1862.

Mr. Hooper presented a memorial from citizens of Catawba county, against the distillation of liquor. Read and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

The following members appeared, presented their credentials and were qualified in accordance with the law:

Hertford .................. J. B. Vann,
Anson ..................... R. H. Burns.

Mr. McCormick introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The State of North-Carolina has assumed the entire control of the Cape Fear and Deep River Slack Water Navigation, and said work not being in a condition to be of any benefit to the State or the citizens in the vicinity, but on the contrary a nuisance;

Resolved, That the Committee on Internal Improvements be instructed to inquire into the expediency and practicability of appropriating an amount of money sufficient for the permanent completion of said work from Worthington's Ferry in Harnett county, to the town of Fayetteville, or abandon said work and give the citizens in the vicinity the privilege to remove the obstructions in said river between the above named points, and report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. McAden introduced resolutions, No. 32, of thanks to the officers and soldiers of North-Carolina in the army. Read first time and passed.
On motion of Mr. McAden, the rules were suspended and the resolutions passed their second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Cowles, the select committee to whom was referred the bill concerning the purchase of provisions, was allowed to sit during the session of the House.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House proposes to raise a joint select committee of five in this House, and three in the Senate, to whom shall be referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to a modification of the act of the last General Assembly entitled "An act to change the rules of pleading."

Received from His Excellency, Governor Vance, by his Private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, a message transmitting the reports of certain Railroad Companies.

*Ordered*, That the message and documents be sent to the Senate with a message stating that the House propose to print the same.

Mr. Walser introduced a bill, No. 33, for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Manning, a bill, No. 34, in reference to taxes and the liability of Sheriffs. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to raise a joint select committee on the "Act to change the rules of pleading."

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Shepherd, McAden, Keener, Harris, of Cabarrus, and Howard, constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill, No. 35, in reference to work houses. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Lemmonds, a bill No. 36, to call free persons of color into the service of the State for labor. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Keener, a resolution, No. 37, in favor of Wm. H. Bry-
son. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed resolution in favor of Philip G. Smith. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, the rules were suspended and the resolution passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Gentry introduced a bill, No. 38, to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Education.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go into an election for Superintendent of Common Schools at ½ past 12 o'clock today and that C. H. Wiley has been nominated for that office.

To which proposition the House agreed.

Mr. Fowle from the Select Committee on the bill concerning the purchase of Provisions, reported the bill with a substitute.

The bill was placed on its second reading, and the question being on the agreement of the House to the substitute of the committee.

Mr. Beall presented an amendment to the substitute: "That the provisions also be delivered to the Agent of any county which may have appropriated money for the poor." Which was agreed to.

Mr. McKay presented an amendment making the sum appropriated $1,000,000 instead of $500,000. Which was not agreed to.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, was read the third time.

Mr. Peebles presented an amendment, that the provisions should not be purchased from any one who had speculated, and that an affidavit should be filed to that effect. Which was not agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Walser and Vann constitute a committee to superintend the election of Superintendent of Common Schools.
The hour of half past twelve having arrived the House proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for M. Wiley:


Mr. Cowles voted for J. B. Johnson.

The consideration of the bill concerning the purchase of provisions was resumed.

Mr. Cowles presented an amendment that said provisions should not be sold to commissioned officers or their families. Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shober, the bill, first line sec. 3, was amended by inserting the word "indigent" before the word "families."

The bill then passed its third reading.

Mr. Walser, from the committee to superintend the election, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 120, of which Mr. Wiley received 119 and Jos. B. Johnson 1, Mr. Wiley is therefore declared elected.

The "resolution to purchase the Ordinances of the Convention" was approved and signed by the Speaker.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1863.

The following members appeared, presented their credentials, and were qualified in accordance with the law:
Beaufort.......................... R. S. Donnell,
Lincoln............................ A. Costner.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably a resolution, No. 25, in favor of Benj. Fitzrandolph.
The resolution was then read the second time and passed.

Mr. Burgin, from the same committee, reported favorably a resolution, No. 27, in favor of John Blaylock.
The resolution was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Cowles, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following bills, and recommended that the same do pass:
A bill, No. 15, concerning Justices of Johnston county. Read second time and passed.
A bill, No. 18, to authorize the Magistrates of Chatham county to levy tax for the purpose of working public roads. Read second time and passed.
A bill, No. 16, in favor of John Fisher. Read second time and passed.

Mr. Fleming, from the Judiciary Committee, reported the bill, No. 9, to prohibit the distillation of spirituous liquors from grain and a substitute.
Ordered, That the substitute be printed.

Mr. Shober, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a resolution concerning taxes of 1862, and asked that they be discharged from its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Shober, the same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Manning, the bill concerning taxes was withdrawn from the consideration of the Judiciary Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably a bill, No. 22, in relation to the salaries of Judges of the Superior Court.
The bill was read the second time.
On motion of Mr. Shepherd, it was amended and then passed.

Mr. Gentry, from the Committee on Cherokee Lands, reported favorably a bill, No. 20, to refund purchase money in certain cases.

The bill was read the second time:

Mr. Person moved to strike out the words “and interest.” Which was not agreed to.

The bill then passed.

Mr. Gentry, from the same committee, reported favorably a resolution, No. 24, in favor of Joseph Welch.

The resolution was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Person, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely a bill, No. 28, in relation to costs in suits at law.

The bill was read the second time and rejected.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a resolution of instruction, proposing to raise a committee to visit our sick and wounded soldiers, and asked to be released from its further consideration.

Mr. Fowle, from the same, reported adversely a bill, No. 2, to exempt persons over 45 years of age from military duty.

The bill was read the second time and rejected.

Mr. McKay, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely a bill, No. 21, to amend the 9th section 53d chapter of the Revised Code.

The bill was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Mann, was laid on the table.

Mr. Person, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a resolution of instruction relating to pensions for soldiers' wives, &c., and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go into an election for Secretary of State at 1 o'clock to-day and that Messrs. J. P. H. Russ and R. H. Page have been nominated for that office.

Which was agreed to.
Ordered, That Messrs. Manning and Richardson constitute the committee on our part to superintend said election.

Mr. Love introduced a resolution, No. 40, in favor of the counties west of the Blue Ridge. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Waddell presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Senate asking the agreement of that body to a proposition that two members be appointed on the part of this House and two on the part of the Senate to visit Richmond, and bring to the attention of His Excellency, President Davis, the pressing necessity of a want of troops to defend the coast of North Carolina, and asking of him that a sufficient number of troops be transferred to this State for that purpose.

Which resolution passed.

Ordered, That a message be sent accordingly.

Mr. Horton presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire whether all our soldiers in the service have received the bounty and pay due them.

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank, presented a resolution, No. 41, in favor of Sheriffs. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Foy presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That His Excellency, the Governor, be requested to furnish this House with the reports and proceedings of Messrs. Woodfin and Worth, agents on the part of the State to boil salt, and all information relative to the amount of salt produced and how distributed, and the extent of operations and expenditures to this date.

Which resolution was passed.

Mr. Stanford introduced a bill, No. 42, in favor of Thos. J. Carr, late Sheriff of Duplin. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Logan a bill, No. 43, to authorize C. M. Green, late Sheriff of Cleveland, to collect arrears of taxes. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Private Bills.
Mr. Burgin a bill, No. 44, to amend 38th section, 102d chapter of Revised Code. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the House proceeded to vote for Secretary of State.

Those who voted for Mr. Russ, are:


Those who voted for Mr. Page:


Mr. Keener voted for Mr. Burgin.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House proposes to go immediately into an election of Judge for the 4th Judicial Circuit, and that Hon. John Kerr is in nomination for that office.

Mr. Manning, from the committee to superintend the election of Secretary of State, reported that the whole number of votes were 135, necessary to a choice 68, of which Mr. Russ had received 85, Mr. Page 49, and Mr. Burgin 1. Mr. Russ is therefore declared elected.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to send a commission to Richmond.
Mr. McAden introduced a bill, No. 45, to raise ten thousand volunteers for the defence of the State. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the House went into secret session, to receive a private message from the Senate. Which being over, the House adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1862.

The member elect from the county of Surry, Joseph Hollingsworth, appeared presented his credentials and was qualified in accordance with the law.

Mr. Wellborn presented a petition of a number citizens of Wilkes county, against the distillation of grain, speculation, &c. Read and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Alford, a petition of Sally Scott, praying that she may choose a master and go into slavery. Read and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Allison from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported a bill for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers with a substitute; also, favorably with an amendment, a bill concerning Work Houses; also, favorably, a bill in favor of Thos. J. Carr; also, favorably, a bill to amend 38th section, 102d chapter, of Revised Code.

Mr. McAden from the Judiciary Committee, reported, adversely, a bill for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers in the army.

Mr. Shober from the same, reported, favorably, a resolution in favor of Sheriffs.

Mr. Robbins from the same, reported a memorial of citizens of Catawba county, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Brown presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to examine the law as relates to the investments by guardians
of the funds of wards and inquire what are the defects, and report by bill or otherwise.

Received from His Excellency, Governor Vance, by his Private Secretary, a message transmitting the reports of Messrs. Woodfin and Worth, in relation to their Salt Works.

On motion,

Ordered, That the documents be referred to a joint committee from Senate and House, to decide what portion of them shall be printed.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to prepare and report a bill to give to the county of Alleghany, a term or terms of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in like manner as other counties of the State have or may have.

Mr. Williams introduced a bill, No. 46, to stimulate the production of provisions during the war. Read first time, and passed, and referred to the Committee on Finance, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Berry a bill, No. 47, to regulate the hands to work on the public roads. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bryson a bill, No. 48, to incorporate the Unakoa and Hiawassee Turnpike Company. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Mr. Avera a bill, No. 49, defining extortion and encouraging honorable speculation. Read first time, passed, referred to the Judiciary Committee, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lyle a bill, No. 50, concerning the school fund. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Gentry a bill, No. 51, to extend the titles to lands heretofore entered. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go into an election of Solicitor for the 5th Judicial Circuit, at half past twelve o'clock to-day, and that Messrs. R. P. Buxton, John W. Cameron, Giles Leitch and Robt. Strange are in nomination.

Which proposition was agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the bill in relation to the salaries of Judges of the Superior Courts was taken up and read the third time.

The question being shall this bill pass its third reading, it was decided in the affirmative—Yeas 50, Nays 46.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are:


Those who voted in the negative, are:


The hour of half past twelve having arrived, the time set apart for the election of Solicitor for the fifth Circuit:

Ordered, That Messrs. Harris of Chatham, and Kelly constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

The House then proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Buxton:

Messrs. Speaker, Allison, Alford, Amis, Berry, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Carpenter, Craig, Davis, Glenn, Harrison, Henry of Henderson, Joyner, Kerner, Laws, Long, Lyle, McAden, McCormick, Parks, Robbins, Russell of Brunswick,
Smith, Wallen, Walser, Watson, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—30.

The following voted for Mr. Cameron:

The following for Mr. Leitch:

And the following for Mr. Strange:

Mr. Kerner moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go into an election of two Engrossing Clerks. Not agreed to.

Mr. Keener introduced a bill, No. 52, to extend the provisions of the 8th section of 45th chapter of Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. McKay, a bill, No. 53, to define and punish extortion and for other purposes. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to go forthwith into an election of two Engrossing Clerks.

Which proposition was not agreed to.

Mr. Kelly from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 140, necessary to a choice 71, of which Buxton received 36, Mr. Cameron 34, Mr. Leitch 18, and Mr. Strange 52. No
one having received a sufficient number of votes there was no election.

Mr. Williams introduced a bill, No. 54, to suppress extortion. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to go forthwith into an election of Solicitor for the 5th Judicial Circuit.

Which proposition was agreed to.

*Ordered, That Messrs. Sherwood and Love constitute the committee on our part to superintend said election.*

The House then proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Buxton:


The following for Mr. Cameron:


The following for Mr. Strange:


And the following for Mr. Leitch:


Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go into an election of Judge for the 4th Judi-
cial Circuit, at half past one o'clock, and that Hon. R. E. Gilliam and John Kerr, and R. P. Dick, Esq., are in nomination for that office.

To which proposition the House agreed.

The hour named being present,

Ordered, That Messrs. Cowles and Foy be the committee on the part of the House to superintend the election.

The House then proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Dick:


The following for Mr. Kerr:


And the following for Mr. Gilliam:


Mr. Sherwood from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that no one having received the number of votes required, there is no election.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go forthwith into an election of Solicitor for the 5th Judicial Circuit.

Which proposition was agreed to.
Ordered, That Messrs. McCormick and Stancill be the committee to superintend the election.

Mr. Cowles from the committee to superintend the election of Judge, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 144, necessary to a choice 73, of which Mr. Gilliam had received 77, Mr. Dick 56, and Mr. Kerr 11. Mr. Gilliam is therefore declared elected.

The House then proceeded to vote for Solicitor.

The following members voted for Mr. Strange:


The following for Mr. Buxton:


And the following for Mr. Cameron:

Messrs. Albritton, Barringer, Cowles, Gentry, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Headen, Horton, Ingram, Judkins, Kelly, Mann of Pasquotank, McAden, McNeill, McRae, Patterson, Spruill, Waddell, Wellborn and Worth—22.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes immediately to appoint the Commission to visit Richmond.

To which proposition the House agreed.

Ordered, That Messrs. Waddell and Person constitute one part of said commission.

Mr. McCormick, from the Committee to superintend the
election of Solicitor, reported that no one having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Burgin,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House proposes to go forthwith into an election of Solicitor for the 5th Judicial Circuit.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to go forthwith into an election of Solicitor for the 5th Circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs. Wellborn and Logan be the committee on our part to superintend said election.

The following members voted for Mr. Cameron:

Messrs. Albritton, Barringer, Cowles, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Headen, Ingram, Judkins, Kelly, Mann of Pasquotank, Patterson and Waddell—12.

The following for Mr. Buxton:


And the following for Mr. Strange:


Ordered, That Messrs. Amis and Peebles serve upon the Finance Committee in place of Messrs. Donnell and Holmes.

Mr. Peebles desired to be relieved from serving on the Finance Committee.
Ordered, That Messrs. Amis and Peebles be relieved from serving on said committees, and that Mr. Brown take the place of Mr. Peebles, and Mr. Patterson that of Mr. Amis.

Mr. Love desired to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Ordered, That Mr. Love be relieved from duty on said committee, and that Mr. Keener take his place.

On motion of Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1862.

Mr. E. L. Mann, member elect from Hyde county, appeared, presented his credentials, and was qualified in accordance with the law.

Mr. Logan, from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor for the 5th Judicial Circuit, reported that the whole number of votes was 141, necessary to a choice 71, of which Mr. Buxton received 82 votes, Mr. Strange 39, and Mr. Cameron 20. Mr. Buxton is therefore declared elected.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably, with amendments, H. No. 11, a bill to authorize the Governor to employ slave labor on State defences.

Mr. Person introduced resolutions declaring our separation from the United States final, and sustaining President Davis and Governor Vance. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the rules were suspended and the resolutions passed their second and third readings.

Mr. Russ introduced a bill, No. 56, concerning Justices of the Peace in Bladen county. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Russ the rules were suspended and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Hawes introduced a bill, No. 57, to repeal 1st, 2d and 3d sections of 102d chapter of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
On motion of Mr. Watson:

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House proposes to raise a joint select committee of three, upon its part and two on the part of the Senate, to whom shall be referred that portion of the Governor's message which refers to the imprisonment at Salisbury of citizens by Confederate authority.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Kirby until Monday next; to Mr. Fleming for the same time; to Mr. Russ until Tuesday, and to Mr. Albritton for ten days.

Mr. Fowle desired to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Military Affairs.

Ordered, That Mr. Fowle be relieved and that Mr. Grissom take his place on said committee.

H., No. 11, a bill to authorize the Governor to employ slave labor on State defences was read the second time.

The committee amendments were agreed to; the bill then passed, yeas 33, nays 30.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, the bill as amended was ordered to be printed.

A bill, No. 29, for the relief of sick and wounded, soldiers in the army was considered and recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Burgin,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House proposes to go into an election of C. S. Senator at 1 o'clock to-day and that Hon. Wm. A. Graham is in nomination for that office.

On motion of Mr. Peebles the name of Hon. George Davis was added thereto.

On motion of Mr. Donnell,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House proposes to go forthwith into an election of solicitor for the 2nd Judicial Circuit, and that C. C. Clark, Esq., is in nomination.

On motion of Mr. Foy, the name of Wm. J. Houston was added.

Mr. Amis desired to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Privileges and Elections.
Also, on motion of Mr. Russell of Craven, the name of George Green, Esq.

Received from the Senate, a message stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to go forthwith into an election of Solicitor for the 2nd Circuit, and that Thos. Sparrow, Esq., has been nominated in that body.

Ordered, That Messrs. Robbins and Foy constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

The House then proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Houston:


Mr. Russell of Craven, voted for Mr. Greene

And the following for Mr. Clark:


Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to go into an election of Senator at 1 o'clock.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to raise a joint committee on that portion of the Governor's message relating to the citizens imprisoned at Salisbury.
Ordered, That Messrs. Watson, Worth and Shepherd constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. Peebles presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker, whose duty it shall be to examine into the rates charged for freight and travel by certain railroads, and to see if they are not extortionate, and if there is not some means of remedying the same.

Ordered, That Messrs. Peebles, Harris of Chatham, Stanford, Horton and Hollingsworth be said committee.

Mr. Fowle presented a memorial from Joseph D. Hayes. Read and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Foy, from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that the whole number of votes was 147, necessary to a choice 74, of which C. C. Clark received 92, W. J. Houston 52, Geo. Green 2, and Thos. Sparrow 3. Mr. Clark is therefore declared elected.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shober and Russell of Craven constitute the committee on our part to superintend the election of Senator.

The House proceeded to vote.

The following members voted for Mr. Graham:


And the following for Mr. Davis:

Messrs. Beam, Brown, Bumpass, Cobb, Costner, Crawford, Davenport, Davis, Foy, Gilliam of Rockingham, Grier,
Hawes, Hodges, Hooper, Kirby, Lemmonds, Logan, Love, Manning, McKay, McNeill, Peebles, Person, Reynolds, Richardson, Rhodes, Russ, Russell of Craven, Shepherd, Stanford, Stancill and Williams—32.

Mr. Bynum voted for Hon. G. E. Badger.
Mr. Vann voted for Hon. D. Outlaw.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

A bill, No. 15, in relation to Justices of Johnston county, was read.

On motion, amended so that its provisions should apply to the counties of Pitt, Ashe, Wake, Buncombe, Henderson, Cleveland, Nash, Cherokee, Gaston, Davidson, Edgecombe, Mecklenburg, Halifax, Wayne, Wilson, Rowan, Lenoir, Greene, Stanly, Catawba and Caldwell.

The bill was then passed.

A resolution, No. 16, in favor of John Fisher. Read and passed.

A bill, No. 18, to authorize the Magistrates of Chatham county to levy a tax for the purpose of working roads in that county. Read and passed.

A bill, No. 20, to authorize the Agent of Cherokee Lands to refund purchase money in certain cases. Passed.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to raise a joint committee whose duty shall be to inquire and report whether or not the Attorney General's and Adjutant General's offices are vacant.

Which proposition was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, the message was amended, so that inquiry be instituted as to the office of Solicitor for the 4th Judicial Circuit.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate agrees to the amendment to its message.

A bill, No. 35, in reference to work houses, was read the second time and passed.

A bill, No. 41, in favor of Sheriffs was read the second time and rejected.
Mr. Shober, from the committee to superintend the election of a Senator, reported that the whole number of votes was 148, of which Wm. A. Graham received 101, George Davis 45, Geo. E. Badger 1, and David Outlaw 1.
The following resolutions were approved and signed:
A resolution in favor of J. W. Alspaugh.
A resolution in favor of W. R. Lovell.
A resolution in favor of Philip G. Smith.
A resolution passed in secret session.
The House adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1862.
Mr. Robbins presented a memorial from citizens of Randolph county, praying that a tax be put on dogs, so as to encourage the production of wool. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Ordered, That Messrs. Donnell, Shepherd, Beall, Joyner and Judkins constitute our part of the committee in relation to the offices of Adjutant General, Attorney General and Solicitor of the 4th Circuit.

Mr. McKay, from the Judiciary Committee, reported with a substitute, H. No. 23, a bill to establish an 8th Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Robbins, from the same, reported adversely H. No. 14, a bill to regulate the currency between debtor and creditor.

Mr. Keener, from the Committee on Cherokee Lands, reported favorably H. No. 37, a resolution in favor of Wm. H. Bryson.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably H. No. 6, a bill concerning Roads.

Mr. McAden, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a resolution of instruction concerning the funds of wards, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Gentry, from the Committee on Cherokee Lands,
reported favorably, with amendments, H. No. 51, a bill to extend the time of perfecting titles of land.

Mr. Shober, from the Committee on Education, reported favorably, with amendments, H. No. 19, a bill authorizing the President and Directors of the Literary Board to elect a Treasurer. Also, adversely, No. 38, a bill to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

Mr. Worth, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report which was ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. Davenport introduced a bill, No. 59, in favor of Wyatt, a free person of color. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Cobb, a bill, No. 60, for the relief of the jailor of Edgecombe county. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time and passed.

The bill was read the third time and was laid on the table, yeas 46, nays 22.

Mr. Ingram introduced a bill, No. 61, to exempt from execution in favor of householders fifty acres of land. Read first time, passed, referred to the Judiciary Committee, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Donnell, a bill, No. 62, to provide for the probate of wills and granting letters of administration when counties of testators are in the hands of the enemy. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Donnell, a bill, No. 63, to admit proof of handwriting of attesting witnesses in certain cases. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Received from the Senate, a message transmitting the resolutions declaring our separation from the United States, &c., with some amendments and asking the agreement of the House to the same.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, the message and resolutions were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Cowles,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that
the House proposes to go forthwith into an election of one Engrossing Clerk, and that Mr. M. John Moore is in nomination.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, the name of Jos. J. Anderson was added.

On motion of Mr. Rhodes, the name of Edward Vail was added.

On motion of Mr. Ingram, the name of D. G. McRae was also added.

Mr. Headen introduced a bill, No. 64, to encourage the manufacture of cotton and woolen cards. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Bumpass, a resolution, No. 65, of instruction to our representatives in Congress. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Walser, a bill, No. 66, to incorporate the Beatavilla Female Seminary. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Harrison, a bill, No. 67, to make Capital Punishments private. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill, No. 44, to amend 38th section 102d chapter of the Revised Code in relation to Jailor’s Fees, was read the second time and passed.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the bill was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Cobb, it was amended by inserting the words “a majority of the Justices then in the county being present.”

Mr. Peebles moved to amend by adding after the ratifying clause “that it shall cease to be in force at the end of the war.” Not agreed to.

The bill then passed.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to amend the message from the House by proposing
to elect two Engrossing Clerks instead of one, and that Theo. H. Hill had been placed in nomination in that body.

To the proposition, as amended, the House agreed.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hampton and Russell of Craven, constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Russell of Brunswick, for eight days. To Messrs. Hodges, Bynum, Long, Benbury, Harris of Chatham, and Smith, until Monday.

The House proceeded to vote for Engrossing Clerks.

The following members voted for Mr. Anderson:


The following for Mr. Vail:


The following for Mr. McRae:

Messrs. Ingram, McRae and Stancill.

The following voted for Mr. Moore:


The following members voted for Mr. Hill:

Messrs. Speaker, Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Cowles, Craig, Donnell, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Gentry,

The following for Mr. Anderson:

The following for Mr. Vail:

For Mr. Small:
Messrs. Harris of Chatham, and Headen—2.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to go forthwith into the election of Treasurer of State.

Which was not agreed to—yeas 41, nays 44.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the message from the Senate concerning certain resolutions, this morning laid upon the table, was then taken up and considered.

The amendments of the Senate were then agreed to.

Mr. Hampton from the committee to superintend the election of Engrossing Clerks, reported that on account of some informality, there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Russell, of Craven, the House then proceeded to vote for two Engrossing Clerks:

The following members voted for Messrs. Hill and Moore:
Messrs. Speaker, Allison, Alford, Amis Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Cowles, Craig, Donnell, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Gilliam of Rockingham, Glenn; Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Chato-


The following for Messrs. Moore and Vail: Messrs. Bryan, Hawes and Shepherd—3.


The following for Messrs. Hill and Vail: Messrs. Harris of Cabarrus, Howard and Mann of Hyde—3.

And the following for Messrs. Hill and Anderson: Messrs. Ingram Joyner, Judkins, Logan and Stancill—5.

Mr. Headen voted for Messrs. Hill and Small.

On motion,
The House then adjourned until tomorrow 11 o'clock.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1862.

Mr. Hampton, from the committee to superintend the election of Engrossing Clerks, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 130, necessary to a choice 66, of which Mr. Moore received 102; Mr. Hill 105; Mr. Vail 37; Mr. Anderson 24; Mr. Small 1. Messrs. Hill and Moore are therefore duly elected.

Mr. McKay, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely, H. 57, a bill to repeal 1st, 2d and 3d sections of 100th chapter of the Revised Code.

Mr. Fowle, from the same, reported favorably, H. 65, a resolution of instruction to our representatives in Congress.
Mr. Shober, from the same, reported favorably, H. 65, a bill to admit proof of handwriting of attesting witnesses in certain cases.

Mr. McAven, from the same, H. B. 62, and ask that it be printed. So ordered.

Mr. Shepherd, from the select committee on that portion of the Governor's Message in relation to "an act to change the jurisdiction of the courts and alter the rules of pleading therein," reported a bill, which was read first time and passed and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Kerner introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That a commission be appointed of three from the House and three from the Senate whose duty it shall be to visit the different camps and hospitals and attend to the wants of our sick and wounded soldiers, and to procure discharges or furloughs for such as may need them.

Which resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill, 69, to amend an act entitled "an act to enlarge the powers of the county courts to raise a revenue." Read first time, passed, referred to the Finance Committee and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Costner, a bill, 70, for the better regulation of slaves. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the rules were suspended so that other than private bills might be taken up to-day.

On motion of Mr. Beall, H. 11, a bill to authorize the Governor to employ slaves on State defences was taken up and read the third time.

On motion, its further consideration was postponed to Monday 12 o'clock.

Mr. Fowle introduced a bill, 71, to amend the charter of the city of Raleigh. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. McRae, a bill, 72, to increase the pay of soldiers in the service of the State. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.
On motion of Mr. Peebles, the vote by which H. 11 was postponed until Monday was reconsidered.

Mr. Peebles then offered an amendment to the bill and renewed the motion to reconsider, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McCormick,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing that the two Houses of the General Assembly adjourn sine die on Monday the 22d of December next.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Joyner until Monday next; to Mr. Love until Wednesday; to Mr. Rives until Friday; to Mr. Sherwood until Tuesday and Mr. Stanford until Tuesday.

Mr. Costner introduced a bill, 73, to regulate prices of articles of prime necessity and prices of labor. Read first time and passed, referred to the Judiciary Committee and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Burgin, the bill, 23, to establish an 8th Judicial Circuit was taken up and read the second time.

The substitute of the committee was agreed to and the bill passed.

On motion of Mr. Burgin, the rules were suspended and the bill passed its third reading.

H. B. 14 was made the special order for Tuesday 12 o'clock.

On motion,
The House adjourned until Monday 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1862.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Shepherd until Wednesday.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the resolution of instruction concerning Alleghany county, with a bill to establish a Superior Court of Law and Equity for that County.

Mr. Costner introduced a resolution that the House of
Commons meet at 10 o'clock in the morning, and adjourn at half-past one; to meet again at four in the evening. Laid over under the rules.

Mr. Russell of Craven introduced a bill, No. 75, concerning Justices of the Peace. Read first time, passed and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Donnell introduced a bill, No. 76, to prevent traffic in spirituous liquors near the General Military Hospital. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Donnell introduced a bill, No. 77, to repeal the 3d, 4th and 5th sections of chapter 17, of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Gentry introduced a bill, No. 78, to alter the time of holding the Courts of Law and Equity in the 6th Judicial Circuit. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Headen introduced a resolution concerning the Mints. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Pearce introduced a bill, No. 80, to amend the 8th section of the 57th chapter of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. McRae introduced a bill, No. 81, to amend the 18th section of the 46th chapter of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Keener introduced a bill, No. 82, to alter the line between the counties of Jackson and Transylvania. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Mann, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported a bill (No. 83) to surrender the State's interest in the Cape Fear Navigation Works, from Northington's Ferry to Fayetteville. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Grissom introduced a bill, No. 84, for the relief of our sick and wounded soldiers. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Cowles introduced a resolution concerning the Con-
scription Act. Read first time, passed and made the special order for Friday next, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Headen introduced a bill, No. 91, to protect the Salt Works. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Cowles introduced a bill, No. 92, to punish horse stealing. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Grissom was appointed to take the place of Mr. Fowle on the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Beall, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably H. bill, No. 17, to amend the charter of the Western Plank Road.

The hour for the special order having arrived, it being H. bill, No. 11, to authorize the Governor to employ slaves on State defences. The bill was read the third time.

Mr. Peebles amendment was read.

Mr. Beall offered an amendment to strike out the section as amended by the committee and insert the original section.

Mr. Amis moved that the bill with all amendments be re-committed. Which was agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to raise a Joint Select Committee, to take into consideration that part of the Governor's message relating to a supply of Salt.

To which proposition the House agreed.

Ordered, That Messrs. Harris of Cabarrus, Allison Henderson, Young of Yancey, Cobb, Laws and McRae constitute our part of said committee.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following Engrossed bills, which were read first time and passed.

No. 86, a bill to amend an act entitled an act for the better administration of justice in Onslow county. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

No. 87, a bill to amend the 9th and 12th sections of 101st chapter of the Revised Code.

No. 88, a bill to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad Company.
No. 89, a bill to allow further time for the registration of grants, conveyances and other instruments.

No. 90, a bill to prohibit the distillation of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, moved to suspend the rules and put this bill on its second and third readings. Which motion was not agreed to.

No. 91, a bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lizarddale Copper Company.

Bills upon their second reading were then taken up, and the bill (No. 6) concerning Roads was read the second time.

Mr. McKay moved to amend by striking out 60 and inserting 50.

Mr. Lemonds moved to amend the amendment by inserting 55 instead of 50. Which motion was not agreed to.

Mr. McKay's amendment was then agreed to.

Mr. Costner moved to amend by adding that the act shall continue in force until January 1st, 1865. Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. McCormick moved to amend by exempting Sheriffs, Clerks of Courts, Justices of the Peace and Physicians.

Mr. Cobb moved to amend the amendment by striking out Justices of the Peace. Agreed to.

Mr. Glenn moved further to amend the amendment by striking out Sheriffs and Physicians. Agreed to.

Mr. Donnell moved as a substitute H. bill, No. 87, just received from the Senate.

On motion, the bill and amendments were recommitted to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Mann moved to take up H. bill, No. 33, for the relief of wives and families of soldiers.

On motion, the bill was made the special order for Wednesday next at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Gentry moved to suspend the rules so that H. bill, No. 71, to create a Superior Court for Alleghany, might be taken up and put on its second and third readings.

Which motion was agreed to. The bill then passed its several readings.
H. bill, No. 17, to amend the charter of the Western Plank Road Company, then passed its second reading.

A motion to suspend the rules, that the bill be read the third time, was not agreed to.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1862.

The following gentlemen came forward, presented their credentials, and were qualified in accordance with the law:

Bertie ...................... P. Y. Henry,
Sampson .................. James Bond.

D. A. Bizzell.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to go into the election of seven Counsellors of State at 12 o'clock this day, and nominating Messrs. J. R. Stubbs of Martin, F. B. Satterthwaite of Pitt, L. Eldridge of Johnston, R. P. Dick of Guilford, J. R. Hargrave of Anson, James Calloway of Wilkes, James A. Patton of Buncombe, and Geo. F. Davidson of Iredell.

Which proposition the House agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message announcing its committee as to the supply of Salt.

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill, No. 94, to create a Patrol Force in each county in the State. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported adversely, H. bill No. 86, to amend an act for the better administration of Justice in Onslow county.

Mr. Shober, from the same, reported favorably with amendments, H. bill No. 75, concerning Justices of the Peace.

Mr. McKay, from the same, reported adversely, H. bill No. 80, a bill to amend the 8th section of 57th chapter of Revised Code.

Mr. Gentry, from the Committee on Cherokee Lands and Western Turnpikes, reported favorably, with amendments,
H. B. No. 48, to charter the Unakoa and Hiawasse Turnpike Company.

Mr. Beall introduced a bill No. 95, to amend an act entitled, an act for the relief of the Banks and the people. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Bryson introduced a resolution in favor of M. L. Britain. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Keener introduced a resolution No. 97, requiring the Governor to appoint Commissioners to examine into the condition of the Agency of Cherokee Lands, as connected with Turnpike Roads in Jackson county. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Cherokee Lands.

Mr. Crawford introduced a resolution instructing the Joint Committee on Salt supply, to enquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor to remove all the salt, both public and private, from the coast.

Mr. Watson presented the following resolution:

Whereas, By an ordinance of the Convention, No. 35, passed by the Convention of the State of North-Carolina, directing the issue of three millions of Treasury notes, entitled an ordinance to provide for the assumption and payment of the Confederate tax, and for funding the same at the will of the holder, in Coupon Bonds of the State, bearing eight per cent. interest, per annum, interest payable semi-annually, said bonds payable 20 years after date, or sooner, at the pleasure of the State, or in six per cent. bonds of the State, payable thirty years after the 1st of January, 1862. Interest payable semi-annually, exchangeable in Treasury notes at the option of the holder, from time to time, until the Treasury notes fall due. And, whereas, in the report of the Treasurer, it seems that four millions four hundred and sixty-one thousand dollars (4,461,000) of said eight per cent. bonds has been sold, and no statement being made in said report, by whom
said bonds were purchased, or at what premium, whether at, above, or below par; Therefore,

Resolved, That the Public Treasurer be, and is hereby required to report to the General Assembly, now in session, by whom the said eight per cent. bonds were purchased; and whether they were purchased at, above, or below par.

Resolved further, That the Treasurer be required also to report the amount of six per cent. bonds disposed of in the last fiscal year, at what premium said bonds were sold, and to whom sold.

Which was passed.

Mr. Alford presented the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, His Excellency the Governor, in his message to this General Assembly, informed this body that out of consideration for the susceptibilities of our people, he had undertaken, through the agency of the Militia officers of the State, the enforcement of the act of the Confederate Congress known as the conscription act, and whereas, it has been brought to the attention of members of this House, that a force of Confederate soldiers under orders and directions of officers of the Confederate army, are daily patrolling the streets of the city of Raleigh, and arresting all persons suspected of being within the conscription age; it is therefore,

Resolved, That his Excellency, the Governor, be requested to inform this House if he has made any new agreement with the authorities of the Confederate States, in relation to the enforcing of the conscript law, and if so, what are the terms of such agreement, and if he has made no such recent agreement with such authorities, that he inform this House if the city of Raleigh, or any other parts of the State were excepted in the understanding entered into between himself and the Confederate authorities, relative to the enforcing of such law.

Which was passed.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bond and Robinson constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election of Counsellors of State.
The hour for said election having arrived, the House proceeded to vote.

For Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Dick; Hargrave, Davidson and Patton:


For Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Dick, Hargrave, Calloway and Patton:


For Messrs. Satterthwaite, Stubbs, Eldridge, Calloway; Hargrave, Davidson and Patton:


For Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Dick, Hargrave, Calloway and Davidson:

Mr. Harris of Carbarrus.

Mr. Avera voted for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, L. B. Beckwith, Dick, Hargrave, Calloway and Patton.

Mr. Dunn for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Desmon, Eldridge, Dick, Hargrave and Patton.


Mr. Headen for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Dick, M. P. Taylor, Hargrave and Calloway.

Mr. Person for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Hargrave, R. Gorrell, Calloway and Patton.

Mr. Judkins for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Wm. Eaton, Jr., Dick, Calloway and Patton.
Mr. McKay for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Hargrave, Calloway and Patton.
Mr. Pearce for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Wm. Eaton, Jr., Dick, Hargrave, Davidson and Patton.
Mr. Rhodes for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Amis, Hargrave, Davidson and Patton.
Mr. Russell of Craven for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Person, Desmon, Hargrave, Calloway and Patton.
Mr. Waddell for Messrs. Stubbs, Satterthwaite, Eldridge, Norwood, Hargrave, Patton and Davidson.
Mr. McKay moved that the House go into secret session to hear the report of the committee, which had visited Richmond.
Which motion was agreed to.
Mr. Shober moved that a committee of two wait upon the Governor, and invite him to be present to hear the report.
This was agreed to, and Messrs. Shober and Manning were appointed the committee.
The House then went into secret session, and after its close, adjourned to meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1862.

Hon. R. B. Gilliam then announced to the House his resignation of the Speakership.
Mr. Amis moved that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker, and nominated Hon. R. S. Donnell.
Mr. Walser nominated Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank.
Mr. Peebles nominated Hon. J. G. Shepherd.
Mr. Shepherd requested that his name be withdrawn.
Messrs. Love and Walser were appointed to superintend the election, and the House proceeded to vote.
The following members voted for Mr. Donnell: Messrs. Speaker, Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryson, Burgin,

The following voted for Mr. Shepherd:


Mr. Foy voted for Mr. Vann.

The whole number of votes cast was 93, of which Mr. Donnell having received a majority was declared duly elected, and was conducted to the Chair by Messrs. Shepherd and Amis.

Mr. Keener from the Committee on Propositions and Griev- ances, reported, favorably, H. bill No. 82, to alter the line between Transylvania and Jackson counties.

Mr. Keener from the Committee on Propositions and Griev- ances, reported H. bill No. 59, in favor of Wyatt, a free man of color, and asked to be discharged from its further consider- ation.

Mr. Costner from the same committee, reported H. bill No. 29, for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers with a sub- stitute.

Mr. Allison from the same committee, reported Nos. 6 and 86, concerning roads, and recommended No. 86, with amend- ments, as a substitute for No. 6.

Mr. Bond submitted a report from the committee to super- intend the election of Councillors of State, viz:

The committee appointed to superintend the election of Councillors of State, have performed their duty and report
that the whole number of votes cast was 135, necessary to a choice 68, of which Mr. J. R. Stubbs received 122, F. B. Satterthwaite 120, L. Eldridge 117, R. P. Dick 116, J. R. Hargrave 119, James Calloway 91, James A. Patton 131, G. F. Davidson 38, Mr. Norwood 1, Mr. Desmond 1, S. J. Person 1, Mr. Beckwith 1, E. G. Reade 1, Mr. Eaton 3, W. W. Holden 1, Mr. Shober 1, Ralph Gorrell 3, W. P. Taylor 1, L. Williams 1, J. S. Amis 1, Jas. Rumley 1, N. N. Freeman 1, M. L. Wiggins 1, Daniel Dixon 1, R. H. Cowan 2, W. P. Houston 3, Eugene Grissom 1, J. G. Yancey 1, J. A. Young 1, F. F. Miller 2, Archibald Monk 1, Nicholas Nixon 1.

Mr. Brown introduced a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the expediency of giving the county of Mecklenburg two terms of the Superior Court.

Mr. Worth introduced a resolution referring that portion of the Governor's Message relating to the Board of Claims, or the appointment of an Auditor to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Horton introduced a resolution of thanks to the late Speaker. Passed unanimously.

The Speaker presented the report of the Bank of Fayetteville, which was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Gentry,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate to go into an election of Solicitor for the 6th Circuit.

Mr. Gentry nominated R. F. Armfield.

Mr. Hampton nominated W. P. Caldwell.

Mr. Brown nominated Jas. E. Kerr.

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill, No. 98, to provide additional pay for soldiers. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Waddell introduced a resolution, No. 99, in favor of salt. Read first time passed and referred to Salt Committee.

Mr. Headen introduced a bill, No. 100, to exempt soldiers in the army for the war, from poll tax. Read first time, passed and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Gilliam of Granville tendered his resignation of a seat in the House of Commons, to take effect from Dec. 6th.
Mr. Watson moved that a writ of election be issued to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Gilliam.

Received from the Senate a message concurring in the proposition to elect a Solicitor for the 6th Judicial Circuit and also proposing to go into the election of Treasurer of State at half-past 12 to-day. Agreed to.

The special order was taken up, it being a bill for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers.

Mr. Cobb moved to amend so that the money or provisions should be distributed among the indigent families of soldiers in each county according to their number. Agreed to, yeas 57, nays 25.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded, by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Bernhardt, Beall, Berry, Carpenter, Flynt, Gentry, Glenn, Grissom, Harris of Chatham, Hollingsworth, Howard, Keener, Kerner, Love, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Pearce, Sherwood, Smith, Waddell, Walser, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—25.

Ordered, That Messrs. Allison and Russell of Craven constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election of Treasurer.

The House proceeded to vote in said election:
Those who voted for Mr. Worth, are:
Messrs. Speaker, Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt,

Those who voted for Mr. Courts, are:


The consideration of the bill for the relief of wives and families of soldiers was resumed.

Mr. Love moved to strike out $500,000 and insert $1,000,000. Agreed to, yeas 72, nays 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Harrison, McAden and Stancill—3.
The bill then passed its third reading, and was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kerner moved to take from the table a resolution to create a committee to visit the sick and wounded.

Pending the consideration of the motion, the hour arrived for the election of a Solicitor of the 5th Judicial Circuit, and Messrs. Carpenter and Gilliam of Rockingham, being appointed a committee to superintend the election, the House proceeded to vote as follows:

Those who voted for Mr. Armfield are:

Those who voted for Mr. Caldwell are:

Those who voted for Mr. Kerner are:

Mr. Allison from the committee to superintend the election of Treasurer, reported that the whole number of votes was 140, necessary to a choice 71, of which Mr. Worth had received 79, and Mr. Courts 61.

Mr. Worth is therefore declared elected.

The House proceeded to consider the motion of Mr. Kerner.

Mr. Waddell called for the yeas and nays on the motion to
take from the table. One-fifth of the House did not second the call.

The motion to take up was rejected.

H. B. No. 89, to continue in force the act of the Convention concerning distillation was taken up and read the 2d time.

Mr. Avera moved to insert "or the seed thereof," after "Chinese sugar cane." Agreed to—yeas 55, nays 7.

Mr. Watson moved to amend by inserting "dried fruit," after rice, &c. Agreed to.

Mr. Kirby moved to amend by inserting "honey;"

Which was rejected.

Mr. Fowle moved to strike out the section of ratification as the bill itself proposes to commence from Jan. 1st, 1863. Agreed to.

Mr. Amis moved to strike out Jan 1, 1863, and insert Dec. 20, 1862.

Mr. Costner moved to amend the amendment by making it Dec. 15. Both of which were rejected.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Carpenter, from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that the whole number of votes was 142, necessary to a choice 72, of which R. F. Armfield received 89; W. P. Caldwell 34; Jas. E. Kerr 19. Mr. Armfield is duly elected.

Mr. Burgin moved to adjourn until to-morrow 11 o'clock. Yeas 40, nays 39.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1862.

Mr. Grier introduced a memorial from Moriah Baptist Association, asking to be incorporated.

Mr. Beam presented a petition accompanied by a bill to incorporate the Shelby and Broad River Railroad Company. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.
Ordered That Messrs. Young of Iredell, Horton, Woodall, Russ, and Hooper constitute our part of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Fowle from the Committee on Judiciary reported H. B. No. 100, to exempt soldiers of North-Carolina from poll tax and requested its reference to the Committee on Finance. On motion of Mr. Headen it was so referred.

Mr. Person introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Public Printing to examine whether any frauds have been committed in the execution of the public printing, what when and where;

Which was passed.

Mr. Ingram introduced resolutions concerning our soldiers, affirning our desire to relieve them &c.

Ordered to be printed and laid on the table.

Mr. Kerner introduced a resolution to continue in force the ordinance of Convention exempting soldiers from poll tax. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Barringer introduced a bill, No. 102, to incorporate the Swift Island Gold Mining Company. Read first time, passed and made special order for Saturday next.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Parks until Monday; to Mr. Flemming for one week; to Mr. Burgin until Monday; to Mr. Henry of Henderson until Monday, and to Mr. Kerner until Monday.

Mr. Avera moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill concerning the wives and families of soldiers, passed its 3d reading. Agreed to yeas 68, nays 23.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bond, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Bynum, Carpenter, Carson, Cowles, Craig, Flynt, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henry of Henderson, Headen,

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Amis moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Cobb's amendment was adopted. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to raise a joint committee of five on the part of the House, and three on the part of the Senate, to whom shall be referred H. bills, Nos. 33, 10, 49 and 5, and such others of a like nature as may be before the House or Senate. Agreed to.

Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably H. bill, No. 58, to amend the charter of Greenville and French Broad Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Headen, H. bill, No. 89, was taken up and put on its third reading.
Mr. Shober offered an amendment to except persons distilling for the government. Not agreed to.

Mr. Amis moved to amend by striking out $100 and inserting $500.
Mr. Avera moved to amend the amendment by inserting $1000 instead of $500. Agreed to.
Mr. Waddell moved to amend by striking out 30 days imprisonment, and inserting "90." Agreed to.
Mr. Amis offered an amendment that each and every day, or part of a day in which the still may run, shall constitute an offense. Agreed to.
Mr. Person moved to restore the ratifying section to its original form. Not agreed to.
Mr. Fowle moved to amend the ratifying section so as to read "shall be in force from and after the 1st day of January, 1863, and continue in force until the 1st of January, 1865."
Agreed to.

Mr. Waddell an amendment that the punishments inflicted in the first section, shall be upon any person who shall remove the grain from this State for distillation.

Which was agreed to.

The bill then passed its third reading—yeas 92, nays 3.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from His Excellency, the Governor, a message transmitting communications relating to State prisoners confined at Salisbury by Confederate authority, and an account from West and Johnston, of Richmond, for alleged infringement of copy-right.

Mr. Shepherd moved that a message be sent to the Senate transmitting the message and documents and proposing to
refer that portion of the message referring to the prisoners, to the Joint Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Fowle moved to amend the motion by referring the account of Messrs. West and Johnston to the joint select committee on Public Printing.

Motion and amendment agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message declining to raise a committee to whom shall be referred H. bills, Nos. 10, 49, 33 and 5.

Mr. Shepherd moved that they be referred to a committee of five from the House.

Which was agreed to.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1862.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shepherd, Cobb, Allison, Bond and Bernhardt be the committee to whom shall be referred H. Bs. Nos. 33, 10, 5 and 49.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported H. Bs. Nos. 5, 9, 10, 53 and 56, and asked to be discharged from their further consideration, and that they be referred to the select committee on extortion, &c.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Worth, from the Finance Committee, reported the Revenue Bill. Read and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Worth, from Finance Committee, reported H. B. No. 47, and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Extortion, &c.

Mr. Worth, from the same committee, reported a memorial from citizens of Randolph as to tax on dogs, and asked to be discharged from its consideration as they have provided such tax in the Revenue Bill.

Also same, from the same, a bill to exempt soldiers from poll tax, and beg leave to be discharged from its considera-
tion, as they have made such provisions in the Revenue Bill.

Also same, from the same, a resolution concerning the continuation of Board of Claims, and report that they have in preparation a bill to meet the necessities of the case.

Mr. Person, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported, H. B. No. 28, to raise 10,000 troops with a substitute. Ordered to be printed and made the special order for Tuesday next.

Same, from the same, reported H. B. No. 45 to raise 10,000 troops and asked to be discharged from its further consideration, as they have reported a bill on the same subject.

Mr. Person, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported adversely H. B. 72, to increase the pay of soldiers in service of the State.

Also same, from the same, reported adversely H. B. 91, to protect the salt works. Also adversely H. B. 46 in favor of the counties west of the Blue Ridge.

Also same, from same, reported H. B. 30 to increase the patrol of the State, with a substitute.

Same, from same, asked to be discharged from the consideration of H. B. 79, concerning the mints.

Mr. Cowles asked leave to enter his protest against the bill reported by the Military Committee for raising the State troops.

Mr. Grissom asked leave also to enter his protest against the bill, and gave notice that he should soon submit a minority report accompanied by a bill.

Mr. Robbins, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported H. B. No. 78, and recommended its passage with amendments.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, from the committee on Salt, reported a resolution, No. 106, authorizing the Governor to make arrangements to remove the salt from the coast. Read first time and passed; and on motion of Mr. Cobb, the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shober, from the Committee on Education, reported
H. B. No. 19 to allow the Literary Board to elect a Treasurer, and recommended its passage with amendments.

Also same, from same, favorably a bill to incorporate the Beataville Female Seminary.

Mr. Waddell, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported adversely H. B. No. 61 to exempt from execution 50 acres of land.

Mr. Shoher, from the same, reported favorably with amendments H. B. No. 77, a bill to repeal 3d, 4th and 5th sections of 7th chapter of Revised Code.

Mr. Fowle introduced a resolution (104) in favor of Theo H. Hill. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution (105) in favor of O. S. Johnson, an inmate of the Lunatic Asylum.

Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Rives introduced a resolution (106) concerning salt to soldier's families. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Young of Iredell submitted a report from the Committee on enrolled bills.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bryan until Monday next; to Mr. Burns until Tuesday; to Mr. McKay until Wednesday; to Mr. Henderson until Tuesday, and to Mr. Glenn until Monday.

Mr. Gentry introduced a bill, No. 108, to perfect certain grants. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Received from His Excellency Governor Vance, by his Private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, the following message:

State of North-Carolina, Executive Department, Raleigh, Dec. 5th, 1862.

Hon. R. S. Donnell,

Speaker of the House of Commons:

Dear Sir:—In reply to the resolution of the House of Commons, transmitted by you on the 2d inst., making inquiry
in regard to the arresting of citizens of Raleigh and others on its streets, I have to inform the House that said arrests are made entirely by Confederate authority; that no use of Confederate officers or soldiers for making arrests has been authorized by me in the State, except in one or two instances of domestic disorder where it was thought the local militia were insufficient.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Z. B. VANCE.

Mr. Fowle introduced a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Governor be authorized and requested, in pursuance of the agreement made with the Confederate Government in relation to the enforcement of the conscript act, to require the officers of the Confederate Government to desist from making arrests of our citizens under said law, and should they refuse to comply, that he be authorized and directed to arrest any Confederate officer or soldier acting under their direction, who shall hereafter make any arrests of our citizens in the City of Raleigh or elsewhere in the State.

The resolution passed its first reading.

Mr. Fowle moved to suspend the rules that it might be put on its second and third readings.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Mr. Worth moved that it be postponed until Tuesday, 1 o’clock.

Which was agreed to.

The rules were then suspended—yeas 78, nays 1.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Beam, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bond, Bryson, Burns, Bynum, Carpenter, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Crawford, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Foy, Gentry, Gilliam of Rockingham, Glenn, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of

Mr. Lemmonds voted in the negative.

Mr. Amis introduced the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, That the Governor be requested and directed to remonstrate with the Confederate government as to the practice of its officers in arresting citizens of North-Carolina, suspected to be liable to conscription, and that he insist upon such practice being desisted from within the limits of this State; so long as the Governor of North-Carolina shall consent to enforce the conscript laws of the Confederate government, through the agency of the Militia officers of the State.

Mr. Worth moved that the matter be referred to a select committee of five.

Which was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Worth, McAden, Person, Shepherd, and Waddell be said Committee.

On motion, the Committee were allowed to sit during the session of the House, and requested to report as soon as possible.

Mr. Worth presented a resignation of his seat in the House of Commons, to take effect from the 20th instant.

Mr. Robbins moved that a writ of election issue to be held on the 24th instant. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. No. 19, to allow the Literary Board to elect a Treasurer, was taken up and passed its third reading.

H. B. No. 17, to amend Charter of Western Plank Road. Passed its 3rd reading.
H. B. No. 43, to authorize C. M. Green to collect arrears of taxes. Passed.
H. B. No. 46, concerning Roads, was read the second time.
Mr. Costner moved to substitute S. B. No. 86, with committee's amendments. Agreed to.
The Committee's amendments making the ages for whites to work the Road from 16 to 55, and slaves from 14 to 60, were rejected.
Mr. Shober moved to strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert an amendment giving the Justices of the County Court power to regulate the matter in each county. Agreed to. Yeas 39, nays 30.
The bill as amended passed its 2nd reading.
Mr. Waddell, from the Select Committee on Mr. Fowle's resolution, submitted a report, as follows:
The committee to which was referred the resolutions of the House upon the subject of the arrests of citizens by Confederate authority within the limits of the State, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the following resolution, and recommend its passage:
Resolved, That the Governor be authorized and requested, in pursuance of an agreement made with the Confederate Government in relation to the enforcement of the conscript act, to request the proper officers of the Confederate Government to desist from making arrests of our citizens.
Which was not agreed to—yeas 42, nays 32.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Barringer, Beall, Beam, Brown, Cobb, Costner, Craig, Crawford, Davenport, Foy, Gilliam, Grier, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Hawes, Henderson, Hooper, Judkins, Kelly, Lemmonds, Love, Manning, McAden, Person,
Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Allison, Alford, Avera, Bernhardt, Berry, Bryson, Burns, Carpenter, Cowles, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harrison, Headen, Hollingsworth, Howard, Keener, Laws, Long, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank, McNeill, McRae, Nissen, Patterson, Pearce, Perkins, Richardson, Riddick, Russ, Shober, Smith, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—42.

Mr. Brown moved to adjourn. Not agreed to.
Mr. Grissom offered an amendment that the Governor shall use his discretion as to arresting the officers of the Confederate States. Which was accepted.
Mr. Amis moved his former amendment as a substitute. Not agreed to.
Mr. Foy moved to adjourn. Not agreed to.
Mr. Foy moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed until to-morrow at 10 o'clock. Not agreed to.
Mr. Person offered an amendment as follows:
To strike out all after the word "that" in the 11th line of the original resolution, and insert "the Governor be directed and empowered to take all such proceedings as he may deem best calculated to put an end to such arrests"—which was accepted.
Mr. Person moved further to amend by using the word "request" instead of "require." Agreed to.
The resolution passed its second reading—yeas 75, nays none.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.
Those who voted in the affirmative are,
Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Berry, Brown, Bumpass, Burns, Carpenter, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Crawford, Davenport, Flynt, Fowle, Foy,

The resolution that passed read as follows:

*Resolved,* That the Governor be authorized and requested in pursuance of the agreement made with the Confederate government in relation to the conscript act, to request the officers of the Confederate government to desist from making arrests of our citizens under said law, and should they refuse to comply, that the Governor be directed and empowered to take all such proceedings as he may deem best calculated to put an end to such arrests.

And being put on its third reading was passed.

Mr. Waddell introduced a resolution as follows:

*Resolved,* That a select committee of three be appointed to inquire into the circumstances attending the arrest of W. J. Headen, a member of this House, that the parties engaged in it may be brought before the bar of this House, to answer for the contempt.

Which resolution passed.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow, 11 o'clock.

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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1862.**

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Mann, of Pasquotank, Shepherd and Henry, be the committee under Mr. Waddell's resolution.

Mr. Allison, from the committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably, H. B. 71, to amend charter of the city of Raleigh.
The Speaker announced that he had approved and signed the following resolutions:

A resolution affirming our separation from the U. S. and declaring our confidence in the administrations of President Davis and Governor Vance.

Resolution of thanks to our soldiers in the army.

Mr. Costner offered an appointment as Justice of the Peace for Lincoln county.

On motion of Mr. Love, the appointment was laid on the table until the day set apart to appoint magistrates.

Mr. Woodall introduced a resolution concerning the meeting of the House, proposing to meet at 10 o'clock, and adjourn at 2 o'clock, meet again at 7, and adjourn at the pleasure of the House.

Laid over under the rules.

Mr. Fowle, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported H. B. No. 67, concerning the execution of capital punishment in private, with a substitute.

Mr. Brown introduced a bill, 112, to alter the time of holding the County Court of Mecklenburg.

Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Fowle introduced a bill, No. 113, to strengthen the laws already in force for the protection of personal liberty.

Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Salisbury prisoners, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ingram introduced a bill, 114, to renew the charter of the Richmond Manufacturing Company. Read, first time, passed and the rules being suspended it passed its 2d and 3d readings.

Mr. McNeill introduced a bill, 126, in reference to the Common Schools. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Education.

The following bills were taken up and, under a suspension of the rules, passed their 2d and 3d readings.

H. B. No. 103, to incorporate the Swift Island Gold Mining Company.
H. B. 66, to incorporate the Beatavilla Female Seminary.
S. B. No. 115, to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lizzerdale Copper Company.
S. B. No. 115, to amend the law in relation to sheriff's bonds.
S. B. No. 116, expressing satisfaction of the General Assembly, with the conduct of our soldiers and the liberality of our citizens.
S. B. No. 117, to provide a supply of powder in the different counties of the State.
S. B. No. 118, to amend the ordinance of the Convention entitled an ordinance to make some provision for wives and families of deceased soldiers.
S. B. No. 119, to amend 33d and 38th sections of 102d chapter of the Revised Code.
S. B. No. 120 in relation to the secret proceedings of the Senate and House.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill, to authorize the county of Chatham to levy a tax for working the roads, with amendments, and asking the agreement of the House to the same. Not agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate declines to concur in the amendments of the House to the bill concerning the distillation of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Amis moved that the House recede from its amendments.

Mr. Fowle moved to amend the motion by saying that the House adheres to its amendments.

Mr. Mann moved that the matter be postponed until Wednesday next. Not agreed to.

The House then decided to adhere to its amendments.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the statement of the Bank of Lexington, with a proposition to print. Which was agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting a number of engrossed bills, Nos. 90, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, which, as above, passed their 2d and 3d readings.
Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate recedes from its amendments to the bill to authorize Magistrates of Chatham to levy tax for working the roads.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting a resolution, No. 120; which passed its 2d and 3d readings.

Received from His Excellency the Governor a message transmitting certain documents relative to the seizure of iron by the Confederate Government from the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad. Sent to the Senate with a proposition to raise a joint select committee of five on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate, to whom the message and documents shall be referred.

On motion of Mr. Mann the S. B. to allow county courts to raise the bonds of sheriffs was taken up and passed its 2d and 3d readings.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Dunn until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Costner, H. B. No. 78, to alter the times of holding the Courts of Law and Equity in the 6th Judicial Circuit was taken up and passed 2d reading, and the rules being suspended was read the 3d time and passed.

The House then adjourned until Monday 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1862.

Mr. Fowle from the Judiciary Committee, reported in favor of H. B. No. 108, to perfect certain grants.

Ordered, That Messrs. Beall, Hooper, Bond, Davenport, and Young of Yancey, constitute our part of committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Shepherd from the select committee on extortion, &c., reported H. Bs. Nos. 47 and adversely, and Nos. 10 and 5, favorably with amendments.

The Speaker presented the statements of the Merchants' Bank of Newbern, and Bank of Thomasville. Sent to the Senate with a proposition to print.

Mr. Cowles introduced a resolution, No. 122, in favor of
W. W. Long. Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Worth introduced a bill No. 123, to repeal the 1st section of an ordinance of the Convention, concerning the right of soldiers to vote. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fowle introduced a bill, No. 124, for the relief of the families of deceased soldiers, and to provide for a roll of honor. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Beall introduced resolutions, No. 125, concerning a roll of honor. Passed second and third readings.

Mr. Joyner introduced resolutions as follows:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, the recent order of Brigadier General French, directing the burning of all cotton east of the line of the Wilmington and Weldon, and Petersburg Railroad, not removed prior to the fifteenth day of December, is unwise, unjust, and impolitic, and if carried into effect will be a wanton and unnecessary destruction of property.

Resolved, That this General Assembly has entire confidence in the patriotism of the people residing in that section of the State, and believe that they would cheerfully give their pledge of honor, to burn their own cotton, with their own hands, rather than it should fall into the hands of the public enemy, if requested so to do by the military authorities.

Resolved, That His Excellency, Governor Vance, be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to His Excellency, the President of the Confederate States, and earnestly protest against the execution of this unnecessary order.

Which were adopted and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. Foy introduced a resolution No. 127. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fowle introduced a bill, No. 126, to amend the charter of the Raleigh and Coalfields Railroad. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, and ordered to be printed.

Received from the Governor's Aid, Col. D. A. Barnes, act-
ing in his absence, a message transmitting the statement of the Bank of Charlotte; also memorials from the ladies of Cleveland and Caswell; also a letter from H. L. Hopkins, Esq., of Va., concerning a bill on extortion, and a letter from J. W. Johns. Sent to the Senate.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills:

A resolution in favor of Lewis Williamson. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

A resolution requesting the Governor to correspond with Railroad and other companies in relation to the transportation of salt from Wilmington, &c. Read first time and passed, and under a suspension of the rules, it passed its second and third readings.

A bill to amend the charter of the Cheraw and Coalfields Railroad Company as amended by an ordinance of the Convention. Read first time and passed.

A bill to be entitled "An act for the better management and repair of the Western Turnpike, and rebuilding and repairing certain bridges on the same road." Read first time and passed.

A resolution to fix the hour of meeting at 10 o'clock, to adjourn at 2, and meet again at 7, and adjourn at the pleasure of the House, was taken up and passed.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to raise a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, and three on the part of the Senate, to whom shall be referred the message of the Governor in reference to the Wilmington, Rutherford, and Charlotte Railroad iron.

The Speaker appointed as House branch of the committee, Messrs. Russell of Brunswick, Costner, Ingram, McNeil and Hawes.

Received from the Senate a message stating that that body insists upon its disagreement to the amendments of the House of Commons to the bill concerning the distillation of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Amis moved that a message be sent to the Senate pro-
posing a committee of conference. To which the House agreed.

Ordered, That our part of the committee consist of Messrs. Amis and Avera.

Mr. Worth moved that the House go into secret session. To which the House agreed.

The secret session being over, Mr. Grissom moved to take up H. B. No. 84, for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers. To which the House agreed.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the statement of the Bank of Lexington, and proposing to print the same. Agreed to.

Mr. Peebles moved to amend by striking out "$200,000," and inserting "$500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary."

Mr. Glenn moved to amend the amendment by inserting merely $300,000. Which was accepted.

The question being upon Mr. Glenn's amendment, it was agreed to.

Mr. McAden moved to amend by inserting after "two surgeons," "or more, if necessary." Adopted.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, was passed its third reading.

Mr. Peebles introduced a resolution referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to aiding the Confederate authorities in their efforts to maintain the efficiency of the army to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the bill concerning prisoners, with certain amendments. Agreed to.

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, 11 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1862.

Mr. Brown introduced a resolution instructing the committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of increasing
the issue of Treasury Notes, from five cent bills up to three dollars.

Mr. Grissom submitted a minority report from the Committee on Military Affairs, accompanied by a bill.

Mr. Love introduced a resolution rescinding the resolution of yesterday concerning night sessions. Laid over under the rules.

Mr. Avera moved to re-consider the vote by which the resolution concerning night sessions passed on yesterday. Laid over under the rules.

Mr. Worth presented a resolution that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the issue of small notes by the State, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Stancill introduced a bill to provide for the defence of the State. Ordered to be printed.

Received from the Senate a message, agreeing to the proposition to raise a Joint Select Committee on the bill to prevent distillation of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Costner presented a memorial from Daniel's Creek Church, asking incorporation. A bill to incorporate the said church passed the first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

The bill concerning workhouses was taken up, and passed its third reading.

The Speaker announced that he had approved and signed the following bills:

Resolutions expressing satisfaction of the General Assembly, with the spirit of the people in sustaining the army, and with the conduct of our troops;

An act to amend the act to incorporate the Lizzerdale Copper Company;

An act to amend the ordinance of the Convention, entitled an ordinance to make some provision for families of soldiers dying in the service, and for other purposes;

An act to provide a supply of powder and lead in the different counties of the State;

An act to regulate the fees of Jailors.
A resolution in relation to the secret proceedings of the General Assembly;
Resolution, protesting against the burning of cotton in Eastern North-Carolina;
An act amendatory to the law in relation to sheriff’s bonds;
Received from the Senate a message, proposing to raise a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, and three on the part of the Senate, to inquire into the payment of soldier’s claims in Confederate notes, instead of North-Carolina Treasury notes, which were ordered for that purpose. concurred in.
Ordered, That Messrs. McAden, Russell of Brunswick, Henderson, Carpenter and Foy, constitute the committee on the part of the House.
The hour for the special order having arrived, it was taken up and considered, it being the committee bill to raise a State force.
Mr. Grissom moved to substitute his minority bill.
Mr. Stancill moved the bill introduced by him this morning as a substitute to the substitute.
Mr. Stancill’s motion was not agreed to—yeas 3, nays 91.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then recurred upon Mr. Grissom's motion to substitute.

The hour for another special order having arrived, it was postponed until to-morrow 11 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Burgin, the minority report was ordered to be printed, and the whole matter postponed until to-morrow 12 o'clock.

Mr. Amis asked leave to submit a report from the Committee of Conference, on the bill to prohibit the distillation of spirituous liquors, as follows:

That it be recommended that the Senate concur in the amendments to include in the list of articles forbidden to be used for distillation, in the fifth line "peas and pea-nuts" after "wheat," and the words "the seed thereof" after the words "sugar cane," and the word "rice" after the words "dried fruit;" and in 2d section 2d line, after striking out the words "its ratification," insert the words "the 1st day of January, 1863." That the penalty for violation of the act shall be $500 fine and sixty days imprisonment.

That the Senate concur in the amendment at the end of section 2d, "That persons offending against the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a distinct offence for every day or part of a day in which they shall be so offending."

That the House recede from its amendment proposed as section 2d relative to exportations of corn, &c., for purposes of distillation;

In which report the House concurred.

On motion the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1862.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably, H. B. No. 96, a resolution in favor of M. L. Brittain.

Mr. Patterson, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported H. B. No. 105 in favor of Oscar J. Johnston.

Mr. Allison, from the same committee, reported adversely to H. B. No. 52, to extend provisions of the 8th section 45th chapter of Revised Code.

Mr. Keener, from the same committee, reported adversely to H. B. No. 76 to prevent traffic in spirituous liquors near the General Military Hospital.

Mr. McAden, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably with amendments, H. B. No. 81, to amend 18th section of the 46th chapter of the Revised Code.

Mr. McKay, from the same committee, reported H. B. No. 62 favorably with amendments, to provide for the probate of wills and granting letters of administration when the counties of testators are in the hands of the enemy.

Mr. McKay moved that the rules be suspended and this bill be put on its 2d and 3d readings; to which the House agreed, and the bill passed its several readings.

Mr. McAden moved that the reference of H. B. No. 113, to strengthen the laws for the protection of personal liberty be changed from the committee on Military Affairs to that on the Judiciary. Agreed to.

Mr. Avera moved to take up his motion to reconsider the vote by which was passed the resolution to fix a time for meeting and adjourning of the House of Commons each day. Agreed to.

Mr. Avera then moved to lay the resolution on the table; To which the House agreed.

Mr. Robinson introduced a resolution in favor of J. G. Carraway (No. 134.) Read first time, passed and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank introduced a resolution in favor of Jas. S. Ives, (135.) Read first time passed and referred to Committee on Claims.
The special order was then taken up, it being a bill to create a police force.

Mr. Fowle moved to insert as to arrests of citizens, "persons for whose apprehension a warrant may have been issued." Agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Chatham offered an amendment as a substitute, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting "a bill introduced by his colleague."

Mr. Peebles moved that the amendment be printed and the whole matter be postponed until to-morrow 12 o'clock. To which the House agreed.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to raise a joint committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to consult and report whether it will be compatible with the public interest for the Legislature to adjourn sine die on the 20th or 22d inst. Agreed to.

Messrs. Russell of Brunswick, McAden, and Long were appointed the House part of the committee.

The special order was then taken up, it being a bill to organize a State force, and the question being upon the adoption of the minority, report as a substitute to the report of the Committee.

Mr. Russell of Craven moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Stancill's substitute was rejected. Not agreed to.

Mr. Peebles moved that when the vote is taken it be by sections. Agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus moved that the House take a recess until half past 3 o'clock. Not agreed to.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1862.

The Speaker presented a letter from E. W. Johns, Medical Purveyor, asking that persons be allowed to distill alcohol for the government. Sent to the Senate.
Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably H. R. 134, in favor of Jas. S. Ives.

Mr. Allison from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, asked to be discharged from the consideration of H. B. concerning the manufacture of cotton cards, and reported favorably H. B. 95, to amend an act for the relief of the Banks and the people.

Mr. Burgin from the Committee on Claims reported favorably H. B. No. 134, in favor of J. G. Carraway; also reported favorably H. B. No. 136, in favor of Lewis Williamson.

Mr. Fleming from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably H. B. 101, to incorporate the Shelby and Broad River Railroad Company.

Mr. Headen introduced a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to enquire into the expediency of forbidding negroes from owning dogs.

Mr. Foy introduced a series of resolutions concerning the raising of 10,000 volunteers, which were read first time and passed.

Mr. Foy moved to suspend the rules and put the resolutions on their second and third readings. Not agreed to.

On motion, they were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Cowles from the Committee on Private Bills, reported favorably H. B. No. 122, in favor of W. W. Long; also H. B. No. 43, in favor of C. M. Green, Sheriff of Cleveland county.

Mr. Watson from the Committee on Salisbury prisoners, submitted a report and a bill. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills which were read first time and passed:

A bill to provide for holding courts in Hertford county;
Resolutions in favor of Thos. E. and C. M. Skinner, Jr.;
Resolution on printing the Inaugural Address of Governor Vance;
Resolution in favor of Solomon Pool;
Resolutions declaring the office of Adjutant General, Attorney General, and Solicitor for the 4th Judicial Circuit, vacant.

Mr. McAden moved to suspend the rules that this be read the second and third time. Not agreed to.

Resolution in favor of L. S. Hicks. On motion of Mr. Rives, the rules were suspended and the resolution passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to set apart Friday, the 12th inst., as a day to appoint Justices of the Peace. Concurred in.

Mr. McCormick introduced a bill, No. 137, to incorporate the Western North-Carolina Copper and Gold Mining, and Copperas Manufacturing Company. Read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Grissom introduced a bill concerning a patrol force, No. 145. Read first time and passed, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Grissom gave notice that at the proper time he would move this bill as a substitute for the several patrol bills before the House.

Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, introduced a bill, No. 146, for the benefit of those who have entered vacant lands. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, introduced a bill, No. 147, in favor of J. H. Allen, former Sheriff of Brunswick county.—Read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Foy introduced a bill, No. 148, in favor of M. F. Redd, late Sheriff of Onslow county. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. McNeill introduced a bill concerning Common Schools. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Burgin moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go into the election of Judge for the 7th Judicial Circuit, on to-morrow at 1 o'clock. To which the House agreed.
Mr. Burgin nominated Hon. B. S. Gaither.
Mr. Bernhardt nominated Walter W. Lenoir.
Mr. Allison nominated Anderson Mitchell.
Mr. Keener nominated W. M. Shipp.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, proposing to go into the election of Solicitor for the 7th Judicial Circuit at half past one o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Shepherd nominated W. P. Bynum.
Mr. Worth nominated T. R. Caldwell.
Mr. Burgin nominated Jno. D. Hyman.

The unfinished business of yesterday was then taken up, it being a bill to raise a State force, the question being upon the substitute offered by the minority to the substitute offered by the majority of the committee.

The first section of the bill was read.

Mr. Peebles moved to insert the words "white males," between the words "any" and "persons," in the first section.

To which the House agreed.

Mr. Ingram offered an amendment to make the number of troops eight thousand infantry, and two thousand cavalry.

Not agreed to.

Mr. Waddell offered the following resolution as an amendment, but was ruled out of order:

Resolved, That in pursuance of an act passed by the Legislature of this State, at its session of 1860 and 1861, whereby the Governor of the State was authorized to raise a reserved corps of eight regiments for the defence of North-Carolina, the Governor be and is hereby required to carry out the provision of the said act.

Mr. Stancill proposed to amend by striking out "now in actual service," and insert "subject to the conscript law of Congress, except by the consent of the President."

Mr. Peebles an amendment; which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Person offered the following amendment:

Insert after "Confederate States," 7th line, 1st section, the following: "and not called, nor liable to be called into the
service of the Confederate States under the conscription law, which latter may be accepted and enrolled by the consent of the President of the Confederate States."

Which amendment was not agreed to—yeas 37, nays 61.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from the Senate a message, agreeing to the proposition to go into the election of Judge and Solicitor for the 7th Judicial Circuit to-morrow.

On motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1862.

Mr. Wallen asked leave to change his vote on Mr. Person's amendment yesterday as he misunderstood the question at issue. He now votes "nay."
Leave granted.
Messrs. Brown and Shepherd having been absent asked leave to record their votes. The Speaker said strictly it was out of order, but could be done by the consent of the House. Granted.
They vote "yea."
Mr. Fowle presented a memorial from John Rosemond. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported adversely to H. B. 145.
Mr. McAden, from the joint select committee on adjournment, reported a resolution as follows:
Resolved, That the two Houses of the General Assembly will adjourn over on Monday the 22d inst., at 6 o'clock, A. M., to meet again the first Monday in November, 1863, unless sooner convened by the Governor and Council.
Mr. McAden moved that the resolution be considered immediately. Not agreed to.
Mr. Manning moved that it be made the special order for Monday 12 o'clock.
Mr. Mann of Pasquotank, from the special committee concerning the arrest of Wm. J. Headen, submitted a report as follows:
The committee appointed by the House to investigate the matter in regard to the arrest of W. J. Headen, a member of the House of Commons, from the County of Chatham, by Confederate States' soldiers, beg leave to make the following report:
The Committee summoned before them Lt. Robt. J. Walker, who, upon being questioned as to his authority for arresting citizens, produced his authority from Brigadier General James G. Martin, but stated that the guard that made the arrest were intoxicated at the time and had far transcended the instructions given to them by him.
Gen. Martin, on being summoned before the committee, said that he had received his orders from General French, commanding this Department of North Carolina. But that
the order was not to take up every person who was liable to
the conscript act, except such person had been enrolled and
had failed to make his appearance at the conscript camp;
that all such were considered by the Military Authority as
deserters. General Martin said that as soon as the fact came
to his knowledge of the arrests of citizens by the guard, that
he immediately had the same stopped—that the guard had
acted directly in opposition to orders—that he had been told
by Lieut. Walker that the guard were intoxicated, and that
he had given positive orders to Col. Mallett to investigate the
matter, and if the facts as reported by Lieut. Walker (as to
their intoxication) be found true, to punish the men. He
further stated that the guard was only intended to be used
by Lieut. Walker in making arrests of deserters and others
belonging to the army that might require such force, and not
to go about arresting citizens as the guard did on the occa-
sion referred to. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

Mr. Bernhardt introduced a resolution (No. 156) in favor
of Caldwell county. Read first time, passed and referred to
the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Bernhardt introduced a resolution (155) in favor of P.
C. Hargrave. Read first time, passed and referred to Com-
mittee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Peebles introduced a resolution (154) in favor of Mot-
ley and Browers. Read first time, passed, and referred to
Committee on Claims.

Mr. Horton introduced the following resolution, which was
agreed to:

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Senate, proposing
to raise a joint select committee of two on the part of the
Senate and three on the part of the House, whose duty it
shall be to make enquiry why it is that only about one-half
of the soldiers in service from this State, have received the
bounty to which they are entitled, under an ordinance of the
Convention of this State, and that they be authorized to send
for persons and papers if necessary, and report thereon at as
early a day as practicable, by bill or otherwise.
Mr. Richardson moved to suspend the rules so as to take up H. B. No. 129, to amend the charter of the Cheraw and Coalfields Railroad as amended by the Convention. Not agreed to.

Mr. McCormick moved to take up the resolution concerning night sessions, which had been laid on the table. To which the House agreed.

Mr. Amis moved to amend the resolution so as to read "from and after Saturday." To which the House agreed.

The resolution then passed.

Mr. McRae called for his resolution limiting speakers to 15 minutes, which was on yesterday laid over.

Mr. Waddell moved to amend by saying "30 minutes." Not agreed to.

The resolution then passed.

Mr. Young, of Iredell, introduced a bill No. 146, concerning sales of land. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Peebles introduced a bill for the relief of sheriffs. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Costner presented a bill No. 148. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Young, of Yancey, introduced a bill No. 149, in relation to the county site of Mitchell county. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Bryson introduced a bill No. 150, to prevent and punish extortion. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fleming introduced a bill No. 151, to limit the production of cotton and tobacco. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to set apart Friday, the 19th day of December, as a day to appoint magistrates, instead of to-day. To which the House agreed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bumpass for 5 days; to Mr. Person for 3 days; to Mr. Smith for 3 days; to Mr. Russell of Craven until the 22d inst.; to Mr. Burns until Monday and to Mr. Alford until Monday.
Mr. Joyner moved to postpone the unfinished business of yesterday until Monday next. Not agreed to.

Mr. Headen moved that H. B. No. 64, concerning the production of cotton and woolen cards be printed. To which the House agreed.

Mr. Worth moved that the Revenue Bill be made the order of the day at half past 12 o'clock on Monday and from day to day until disposed of.

Mr. Rives moved to amend by saying "Tuesday" instead of "Monday." Not agreed to.

Mr. Worth's motion was then agreed to.

The unfinished business of yesterday was then taken up, it being the minority report of the Committee on Military Affairs.

There being no farther amendments to the 1st section, the reading of the bill was continued.

Mr. McKay offered an amendment to the 3d section "that the field officers (Colonel, Lieut. Colonel and Major) shall be elected by a majority of the commissioned officers, on a day to be appointed by the Adjutant General."

Mr. Waddell moved that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

To which the House agreed.

Mr. Love in the chair.

After a brief interval, the committee arose and reported the bill as before.

Received from the Senate a message concurring in the proposition to raise a joint select committee on soldiers bounty and pay.

Ordered, That the committee on the part of the House consist of Messrs. Horton, Walser and Ingram.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following enrolled bills, which were approved and signed by the Speaker:

An act to change the time of holding the Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in the county of Mecklenburg;
An act to establish a Superior Court of Law and Equity for the county of Alleghany;
An act for the purchase of provisions;
An act to authorize the magistrates of Chatham county to levy tax for working the roads;
An act to establish the 8th Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes.
An act concerning Justices of the Peace in Bladen county.
An act to authorize the agent of Cherokee Lands to refund money in certain cases;
An act in reference to the salaries of Judges of the Superior Courts.

The amendment of Mr. McKay to the 3d section of the Minority Bill to raise 10,000 troops, being the matter under consideration it was agreed to. Yeas 59, Nays 34.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconed by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Ingram offered an amendment to the section, "that
the Colonel, Lieut. Colonel and Major be appointed by the Governor, the Staff Officers by the Colonel, and the Surgeon by the Surgeon General.”

This amendment was rejected—yeas 23, nays 65.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Fowle offered an amendment that the company and field officers be elected by the rank and file, and the staff ap- pointed by the Colonel.

Pending its consideration, the hour arrived for the election of Judge for the 7th Judicial Circuit, and Messrs. Long and Howard were appointed to superintend the election.

Mr. Keener withdrew the name of Mr. Shipp.

The House then proceeded to vote.

Mr. Walser moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. McKay’s amendment was adopted. Agreed to—yeas 57, nays 43.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:


The question then being upon the adoption of Mr. McKay's amendment, he accepted the amendment offered by Mr. Fowle.

Mr. Long, from the committee to superintend the election of Judge, reported that the whole number of votes was 144, necessary to a choice 73, of which Mr. Mitchell received 64, Mr. Gaither 41, Mr. Lenoir 56 and Mr. Shipp 3. No one having received the necessary number of votes, there is no election.

The hour having arrived for the election of Solicitor for the 7th Judicial Circuit, Messrs. McNeill and Green were appointed to superintend the election. Mr. Burgin withdrew the name of Mr. Hymen, and the House proceeded to vote as follows:

Those who voted for Mr. Bynum are:

Messrs. Allison, Amis, Barringer, Beam, Benbury, Best, Brown, Bryan, Bryson, Bumpass, Burgin, Burns, Bynum, Carpenter, Cobb, Costner, Cowles, Crawford, Davenport, Davis, Fleming, Flynt, Fowle, Foy, Gentry, Gilliam, Glenn,

Those who voted for Mr. Caldwell are:

Messrs. Speaker, Albritton, Avera, Bernhardt, Beall, Berry, Bond, Dunn, Grissom, Horton, Ingram, Joyner, Kelly, Laws, McAden, Parks, Patterson, Perkins, Robbins, Russell of Brunswick, Shober, Smith, Walser, Watson, Wellborn, Woodall, Worth, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—29.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to go immediately into an election of Judge of the 7th Circuit, and stating that Mr. W. M. Shipp had been put in nomination. Agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Pearce and Grier constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election.

The House proceeded to vote.

Those who voted for Mr. Shipp are:


Those who voted for Mr. Mitchell are:

wick, Shoof, Smith, Walser, Watson, Wellborn, Woodall, Worth and Young of Iredell—37.

Those who voted for Mr. Gaither are:

Those who voted for Mr. Lenox are:

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 13, 1862.

Mr. W. M. Carter, the member elect from Beaufort county, appeared, exhibited his credentials, and was qualified in accordance to law.

Mr. Henry of Henderson, presented a memorial from citizens of Henderson county, asking that civil causes be restored in the courts of that county, and introduced a bill, No. 157, to restore the suits on civil process in the courts of Henderson county.

Read first time, and passed.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Committee on Finance, reported favorably H. B. No. 34, in reference to the liabilities of Sheriffs.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably H. B. No. 152, in favor of the County Court Clerk of Harnett; also, favorably H. R. No. 139, in favor of T. E. and O. M. Skinner; also favorably H. R. No. 104, in favor of Theo. H. Hill.

Mr. Grissom moved that the rules be suspended, and the resolution in favor of Theo. H. Hill be put on its several readings.

Agreed to, and the resolution passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. McKay, the rules were suspended, and the resolution in favor of the Clerk of the County Court of Harnett passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Watson, from the Committee on Claims, reported adversely to H. B. No. 155, in favor of Caldwell county.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting the report of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, with a proposition to print. Agreed to.

Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported adversely H. B. No. 132, to incorporate Daniel's Creek Church, in Lincoln county.

Mr. Costner, from the select committee concerning high charges on Railroads, submitted a report with a resolution.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution, inquiring of the Comptroller when his report will be before the Legislature. Agreed to.

Mr. McNeill, from the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor for the 7th Circuit, reported the whole number of votes cast as 146, necessary to a choice 74, of which Wm. P. Bynum received 104, Tod. R. Caldwell 37, and Jno. D. Hyman 5.

Mr. McRae introduced resolutions concerning the substitution of free negro for slave labor on our coast fortifications. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, passed their second and third readings, being amended on motion of Mr. Waddell, to include all the counties of the State.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution to provide for the payment of the expenses of the commission to Richmond. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Peebles presented a bill, No. 158, for the relief of Wm. E. Manu, late sheriff of Pasquotank.

Mr. Walser introduced a bill, No. 161, to incorporate the Silver Lead Mining Company. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Robbins introduced a bill, No. 162, to incorporate the Randolph Manufacturing Company. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Stanford introduced a bill, No. 163, for an extra term of Superior Court for Duplin county. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
Mr. Horton presented a bill, No. 164, to authorize the sheriff of Watauga county to collect arrears of taxes. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Young of Yancey, presented a bill for the relief of the sureties of W. W. Proffitt. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill to incorporate the N. C. Presbyterian Printing Establishment. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions:

A resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge the repeal of a certain clause of the Military Exemption Act of the Confederate Congress. Read first time and passed.

A bill to construct a Railroad from Dallas, in Gaston county, by way of Lincolnton, to Newton. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, passed its second and third readings.

A bill to amend the charter of the Bank of Lexington, and to establish the Bank of Graham. Passed first reading, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

A bill to amend an act entitled "Militia Bill, ratified September 20th, 1861." Read first time and passed.

A bill to establish the Bank of Lincolnton. Read first time and passed.

A bill amendatory of an act to incorporate the Bank of Western North-Carolina. Read first time, passed, and was then passed its second and third readings.

A bill for the benefit of Justices of the Peace, refugees from their counties. Read first time and passed.

A bill to change the place of comparing the polls in the 44th Senatorial District.

A bill to incorporate the town of Marion.
Mr. Worth asked leave to present a report from the Committee on Finance, accompanied by a bill, No. 174, to authorize the issue of more treasury notes. Read first time, passed, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Fleming introduced a resolution guaranteeing North Carolina's part of the Confederate State's debt. Read first time, passed, and ordered to be printed.

The following bills were then taken up and passed their second and third readings:

- H. R., 141, resolution in favor of Solomon Pool;
- H. B., 108, a bill to perfect certain grants;
- H. R., 143, resolution in favor of S. S. Hicks;
- H. B., 128, a bill to provide for the better management of the Western Turnpike;
- H. B., 82, a bill to alter the line between Jackson and Transylvania counties;
- H. R., 96, a resolution in favor of M. L. Brittain;
- H. R., 105, a resolution in favor of Oscar J. Johnston;
- H. R., 122, a resolution in favor of W. W. Long;
- H. R., 139, a resolution in favor of T. E. and C. M. Skinner, Jr.;
- H. B., 86, a bill for the better administration of justice in Onslow county, was indefinitely postponed;
- H. R., No. 37, a resolution in favor of W. H. Bryson, passed its third reading;

Also, H. B., 42, in favor of Thos. J. Carr, late Sheriff of Duplin, passed its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Amis, the rules were suspended, and the bill to incorporate the N. C. Presbyterian Printing Establishment was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Pearce from the committee to superintend the election or Judge, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 142, necessary to a choice 72, of which W. M. Shipp had received 88, A. Mitchell 43, B. S. Gaither 3, and W. W. Lenoir 8 votes. Mr. Shipp is therefore duly elected.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Perkins until Thursday next.
Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill supplementary to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly, and ratified on the 9th day of December, 1862, entitled "An act to amend the ordinance of the Convention to make some provision for the families of soldiers dying in the service."

Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, passed its second and third readings.

The House adjourned until Monday 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, December 15, 1862.

Received from the Governor a message transmitting a communication from the Comptroller, stating that his annual report is in the hands of the printer, but owing to the large quantity of matter in the hands of that officer, it will not be ready for nearly two weeks.

Mr. Bryson presented a memorial from citizens of Cherokee, asking for the appointment of a county distiller. Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Young of Yancey, presented a petition from citizens of Mitchell county, asking for a change of the county site. Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Patterson from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported adversely, II. B., 156, in favor of P. C. Hargrave and others.

Mr. Harris, of Cabarrus, introduced a resolution in favor of John O. Wallis. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Waddell presented a bill to transfer the State's interest in the Deep River Navigation Works, to individual stockholders. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill to authorize the incorporated towns of the State to lay additional taxes. Read first
time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Nissen introduced a bill (180) to authorize the Public Treasurer to repay the bounty of soldiers discharged under the Conscript act, also that withheld. Read first time passed and referred to Committee on Claims.

The unfinished business was then taken up, the question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Fowle, and accepted by Mr. McKay.

It was agreed to, yeas 71, nays 5.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are,


Those who voted in the negative are,


Mr. Flemming offered an amendment to the 4th section to strike out "one year" and insert "three years of the war." Accepted by Mr. Grissom for the minority.

No further amendments being offered, the reading of the bill was finished and the question was upon the minority substitute to the bill of the majority of the Military Committee.

Mr. Waddell offered a preamble to the minority bill as follows:

WHEREAS, Heretofore an act was passed by the General Assembly of North-Carolina, at its sessions of 1860-'61, authorizing the Governor of the State to accept of volunteers.
for State service, and whereas the raising of said volunteers was not carried into effect at the time of the passage of said law, and whereas this Legislature in the passage of the following Military Bill now under consideration, desire to be understood as offering no impediment to the operation of the Conscription Act of Congress, and disclaiming any intention to throw itself in conflict with the President of the Confederate States or the authorities at Richmond, but simply to carry out the provision of an act of the General Assembly, by which a state force shall be organized.

After some consideration, Mr. Waddell withdrew the preamble. Mr. Fleming then offered it as his. The question being upon its adoption, it was rejected, yeas 41, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are,


Those who voted in the negative are,


Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, offered an amendment as an additional section as follows:

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, In case the three artillery companies raised for the defence of the town of Wilmington, by an ordinance of the Convention ratified February 15th,
A. D. 1862, shall be discharged by the Governor during the war, or transferred by him, the said artillery companies shall be received into service under the provisions of this act, and shall form a part of the State reserves, it being allowed and declared hereby that the rank and file in the said companies shall choose the regiment or regiments to which they are to be attached, and all such parts of the said ordinance as are contrary to the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Richardson offered an amendment to the 1st section as follows:

And if after the 1st of February, 1863, the required 10,000 have not come forward and volunteered, then the Governor shall be authorized to raise by draft or otherwise a number sufficient to make the required number of 10,000 men, from Justices of the Peace, Militia officers, not otherwise exempt, except the Colonel or commanding officer of each regiment of the Militia, Captain or commanding officer of each company, in case there be no commissioned officer forty-five years of age, but if there be one, he only shall be exempted.

Not agreed to—yeas 11, nays 69.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then recurred upon the substitution of the Minority for the Majority Report, and was agreed to—yeas 54, nays 33.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The question then being upon the passage of the bill as amended, its 2nd reading it was passed by yeas 48, nays 35.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Smith, Waddell, Wallen, Walser, Wellborn, Woodall, Worth, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—48.

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Grissom moved to suspend the rules and put the bill upon its third reading.

Received from the Governor a message transmitting the statement of the Bank of Wadesborough. Sent to the Senate with proposition to print.

The hour of 2 o'clock having arrived, the House took a recess to 7 o'clock.

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Night Session—Monday, December 15, 1862.

The Speaker stated that the business for consideration was the motion of Mr. Grissom to suspend the rules so as to put the Military Bill upon its third reading.

Mr. Grissom withdrew the motion to suspend the rules, and moved that the bill be made the special order for tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

To which the House agreed:

H. B. No. 19, to authorise the Literary Board to elect a Treasurer was read the third time and passed. Yeas 46, nays 31.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are,

Messrs. Allison, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Beam, Bonbury, Bizzell, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Carpenter, Carter, Costner, Flynt, Glenn, Grissom, Harrison, Henderson, Henry of Bertie, Henry of Henderson, Hollingsworth,

Those who voted in the negative are, Messrs. Berry, Brown, Burns, Cowles, Davenport, Davis, Gentry, Greene, Grier, Harris of Cabarrus, Headen, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Kerner, Kirby, Logan, McKay, McRae, Nissen, Patterson, Peebles, Reynolds, Richardson, Rhodes, Robinson, Russ, Stancill, Waddell, Walser and Young of Yancey—31.

H. B. No. 86, a bill concerning the Public Roads was passed its third reading.

The following bills were read, and under a suspension of the rules, passed their second and third readings.

H. B. No. 89, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad Company.

H. B. No. 140, resolutions on printing the Governor’s Inaugural Address.

H. B. No. 173, to charter the Bank of Lincolnton.

Mr. McAden moved to strike out the words “or its equivalent.” To which the House agreed.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, was put on its third reading.

Mr. McAden offered an amendment “that the Bank shall not issue any bill, note or certificate of deposit until after the ratification of a treaty of peace between the Confederate States and the United States.”

Which was rejected.

The bill then passed its third reading.

H. B. 170, for the benefit of the Justices of the Peace, refugees from their counties.

H. B. 172, to change the place of comparing polls in the 44th Senatorial District.

H. B. 169, to amend an act, entitled Militia Bill, ratified 20th day of September, 1861.
H. B. 58, to amend the charter of the Greenville and French Broad Railroad Company, was taken up and rejected.

H. B. 63, to admit proof of handwriting of attesting witnesses in certain cases. Amendments of the committee agreed to.

H. B. 68, to modify the act entitled an act to change the jurisdiction of the courts, and to alter the rules of pleading therein.

Mr. Cowles moved to lay the bill on the table, which was agreed to—yeas 46, nays 33.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are,


Those who voted in the negative are,


Mr. McCormick moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to amend the charter of the Greenville and French Broad Railroad Company was rejected. To which the House agreed.

The bill then passed its second reading—yeas 32, nays 31.

Mr. Fleming moved that it be re-committed to the Com- mittee on Internal Improvements. To which the House agreed.
H. B. No. 129, to amend the charter of the Cheraw and Coalfields Railroad Company. Passed its second and third readings.

H. B. No. 69, to amend an act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of County Courts for raising revenue.

Mr. Shepherd offered an amendment as follows: "and in the proper relative proportion between State and County taxes." Agreed to.

The bill then passed its second reading.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1862.

Ordered, That our part of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, consist of Messrs. Avera, Alford, Wallen, Costner and Grier.

Mr. Allison from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably H. B. 157, to re-establish civil suits in the county of Henderson.

Mr. Costner from the same, reported favorably H. B. 158, for the relief of Wm. E. Mann, late sheriff of Pasquotank.

Mr. Keener from the same, reported favorably H. B. No. 161, to incorporate the Silver Lead Mining Company.

Mr. Walser from the same, reported favorably H. B. No. 179, a bill to enable the incorporated towns of this State, to lay additional taxes.

Mr. Bernhardt from the same, asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of citizens of Cherokee, for a county distiller.

Mr. Cowles from the Committee on Private Bills, reported favorably with amendments, H. B. No. 162, to incorporate the Randolph Manufacturing Company. Also, favorably H. B. No. 165, a bill for the relief of the sureties of W. W. Profitt. Also, favorably H. B. No. 149, concerning the county site of Mitchell county.

Mr. Kirby from the same, reported favorably H. B. No.
137, to incorporate the Western N. C. Copper, Gold Mining Company, with an amendment.

Mr. McRae from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported H. B. No. 201, in favor of W. H. Allen.

Mr. Burgin from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably H. B. No. 131, a resolution in favor of C. P. Bryson, with an amendment. Also, favorably with amendments H. B. No. 154, in favor of Motley and Bowers.

By request of Mr. Harris, of Cabarrus, the reference of H. B. No. 177, was changed from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, to that on Claims.

By request of Mr. Fleming the reference of H. B. 150, was changed from the Judiciary Committee to the Select Committee on Extortion.

Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, introduced a resolution No. 181, in favor of Rufus Galloway, and his sureties. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Russ presented a bill 182, in favor of the sureties of John S. Willis. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Russ introduced a bill No. 183, concerning sheriffs, and their sureties. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Burgin presented a resolution 184, in favor of R. V. Blackstock. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Burgin presented a resolution 185, in favor of J. R. Davis. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Burgin presented a resolution 186, in favor of R. V. Blackstock. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hampton presented a resolution in favor of E. M. Wellborn. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Fleming presented a resolution 188, in favor of Capt.
W. B. Clements' cavalry company. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Peebles, a resolution 189, in favor of W. W. Happer. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Waddell, a resolution 190, in favor L. J. Haughton and J. C. Hooker.

H. B. No. 6, to amend an act entitled "An act to enlarge the powers of the county courts for raising a revenue for county purposes," was passed its third reading.

H. B. 51, to extend the time of perfecting titles to land, heretofore entered, was passed its second reading.

Mr. Horton moved to suspend the rules and put the bill on its third reading. Not agreed to.

Received from His Excellency, the Governor, a message transmitting the report of the Trustees of the University.

Mr. McAden moved that a message be sent to the Senate transmitting the documents with a proposition to print. To which the House agreed.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills, which were read the first time and passed:

S. B. 191, to pay the officers and privates of Capt. J. W. F. Bank's company for their services.

S. B. 192, in favor of the sureties of W. D. Humphrey, late Sheriff of Onslow county.

S. B. 193, in favor of Jas. M. Neal.

S. B. 194, for the relief of Landlords.


S. B. 196, to prevent the harboring of Deserters, and resisting their arrest.

S. B. 197, to amend the 102d chapter of Revised Code, entitled "Salaries and Fees."

Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, moved to suspend the rules and put this bill upon its several readings. Not agreed to.
S. B. 198, concerning the Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Franklin county.

S. B. 199, concerning insane persons.

The special order was then taken up, it being the passage of the Military Bill, as amended on its third reading.

Mr. Amis offered an amendment, as follows:

Add at end of section 1st: “Provided, That persons under forty years of age who are liable to conscription, shall not be accepted as part of the force, herein provided for, unless the President shall agree to suspend in this State the further execution of the Conscription Law.”

Which was not agreed to—yeas 37, nays 49.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,


Those who voted in the negative are, Messrs. Allison, Alford, Avera, Benbury, Berry, Bizzell, Bryson, Carpenter, Cowles, Craig, Glenn, Greene, Grissom, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Hollingsworth, Hooper, Howard, Ingram, Jenkins, Keener, Kelly, Kerner, Laws, Lyle, Mann of Pasquotank, McAden, McNeill, McRae, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Pearce, Richardson, Riddick, Robbins, Russell of Brunswick, Smith, Wad dell, Walser, Wellborn, Woodall, Worth, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—49.

The bill then passed its 3d reading, yeas 53, nays 36.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are, Messrs. Allison, Alford Avera, Barringer, Benbury, Berry,

Those who voted in the negative are,

Received from His Excellency the Governor a message transmitting a communication from the Public Treasurer. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The special order was then taken up, it being the resolutions from the Senate declaring the offices of Adjutant General, Attorney General, and Solicitor for the 4th Judicial Circuit vacant.

A division of the question being called for, the resolutions were put separately.

The question being upon the first resolution declaring the office of Adjutant General vacant, it was agreed to—yeas 64, nays 16.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Bizzell, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Carter, Cowles, Craig, Flynt, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Hollingsworth, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Jenkins Keener, Kelly,
Kerner, Laws, Long, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, McAden, McCormick, McNeill, McRae, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Pearce, Richardson, Riddick, Rhodes, Robbins, Russell of Brunswick, Shepherd, Shober, Smith, Spruill, Waddell, Wallen, Walser, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell and Young of Vance—64.

Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then being upon the second resolution, declaring the office of Attorney General vacant, it was agreed to.

The yeas and nays were called for, but one-fifth of the House did not second the call.

The third resolution, declaring the office of Solicitor for the 4th Circuit vacant, was then agreed to.

A motion calling for the yeas and nays was not seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Mr. McAden moved that the rules be suspended, and the resolutions be put on their third reading. To which the House agreed.

The resolutions were then read the third time and passed.
H. B. 38, to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools was indefinitely postponed.
H. B. 67, to make capital punishment private, was laid on the table.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Gilliam from and after to-day, until the 22d, and to Mr. Stancill for the same time.

The House then took a recess until 7 o'clock.

Night Session—Tuesday, December 16, 1862.

Mr. Waddell asked leave to introduce a resolution. Leave granted, and he introduced a resolution as follows:
Resolved, That the Speakers of the two Houses of this Gen-
eral Assembly close the present session on Monday morning, 
the 22nd inst., at 5 o’clock A. M., by adjourning their respective Houses until 11 o’clock A. M. of January 20th A. D. 1863. Which was agreed to.

H. B. No. 48, to charter the Unakoa and Hiawassee Turnpike Company, was passed its second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its third reading.

Mr. Shepherd moved a reconsideration of the vote upon Mr. Waddell’s resolution.
To which the House agreed.
Mr. Peebles offered an amendment to strike out “January 20th” and insert the “1st Monday in February.”
Mr. Amis moved to amend the amendment by saying “1st Monday in June.” Accepted.
The amendment was then rejected.
Mr. Cowles moved to amend the resolution by inserting “January 25th.”
Mr. Kirby moved to amend the amendment by saying the “1st Monday in February.” Accepted.
The amendment was then adopted—yeas 40 nays 34.
Mr. Love moved to amend the resolution as amended, by saying Monday, the 19th day of January. To which the House agreed.
The resolution as amended then passed.
Mr. Waddell moved to take up H. B. No. 94, relative to a Patrol Force in each county of the State. To which the House agreed.
The question then being upon the passage of the bill on its second reading.
Mr. Beall moved to lay the bill upon the table. Not agreed to.
Mr. Grissom moved to substitute H. B. No. 145, for the bill under consideration.
Mr. Avera moved to amend the substitute amendment by striking out “ten days.” Accepted.
Mr. Shepherd moved to strike out “as soon hereafter as practicable.” Accepted.
Mr. McAden moved that the bill and amendments be laid on the table.

To which the House agreed.

H. B. No. 10, to authorize the Governor to cause Provisions and Clothing to be seized, was put on its second reading.

The committee amendments were accepted.

Mr. Watson moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which was agreed to. Yeas 45, nays 24.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Peebles moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to amend the act passed at the last session of the General Assembly, to alter the times of holding the courts and to change the rules of pleading therein, was on last evening rejected.

Pending the consideration of which motion, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1862.

Mr. Patterson from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably with amendments, H. B. No. 181, in favor of Rufus Galloway, Sheriff of Brunswick county.
On motion of Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shober from the Committee on Education, reported favorably H. B. 121, in relation to Common Schools.

Mr. Walser presented a memorial from — Cornish & Co., manufacturers of shoe pegs, asking their workmen be exempted from Conscription. Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, reported adversely H. B. No. 13, to abolish the office of State Geologist.

Mr. Shepherd from the select committee on extortion, reported favorably with amendments, H. B. 33, for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers in the army.

Also H. B. 49, defining extortion and encouraging honorable speculation, and recommend that it be considered by the House in connection with the revenue bill.

Also H. B. 150, to prevent and punish extortion; and report that in their opinion, the legislation desired is impracticable.

Mr. Burgin from the Committee on Claims, reported adversely H. B. No. 180, authorizing the Public Treasurer to repay bounty in certain cases.

Also, favorably, H. R. No. 184, in favor of R. V. Blackstock.

Also, favorably, H. R. No. 185, in favor of J. R. Davis.

Also, favorably, 187, in favor of E. M. Wellborn.

Also, favorably, H. R. No. 189, in favor of W. W. Happer.

Also, favorably, H. R. 182, in favor of sureties of John S. Willis.

Also, favorably, H. R. No. 177, in favor of Jno. O. Wallace.

Also, favorably, H. R. No. 186, in favor of R. V. Blackstock.

Mr. Flynt introduced a resolution 201, in favor of John Martin. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Grier introduced a resolution 202, in favor of W. W.
Grier. Read first time and passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Cowles, a resolution concerning salt. Read first time, passed, and on motion, the rules being suspended, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Avera, a bill No. 204, to amend the 8th section of the 83d chapter Revised Code. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Grier, a resolution in favor of A. B. Down. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Grier, a resolution 206, in favor of Eli Stephens. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Love introduced a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That no person shall be made a Justice of the Peace at this session of the General Assembly, who is liable to conscription, and the member proposing his name shall make this fact known.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Beall moved to take up H. B. No. 95, to amend an act entitled "An act for the relief of the Banks and the people." To which the House agreed.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, passed its third reading.

Mr. Russell, of Brunswick, moved to take up H. B. 200, a bill in favor W. H. Allen, late Sheriff of Brunswick. To which the House agreed.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, passed its third reading.

Mr. Cowles moved to take up H. B. 149, in relation to the county site of Mitchell. Agreed to.

The bill then passed its second reading, and the rules being suspended, was passed its third reading.

Received from the Senate a message proposing at half-past twelve o'clock, to go into the election of Solicitor of the 4th Judicial Circuit, and nominating Hon. Thomas Settle. Agreed to.

Mr. Joyner moved that a message be sent to the Senate
proposing to go into an election for Adjutant General at 12 o'clock.

To which the House agreed.
Mr. Avera nominated Daniel G. Fowle,
Mr. Joyner nominated John Randolph,
Mr. Wellborn nominated R. C. Duval,
Mr. Russ nominated R. H. Cowan,
Mr. Keener nominated C. P. Bryson,
Mr. Benbury nominated Wm. E. Mann,
Mr. Joyner nominated M. Q. Waddell, for Solicitor of the 4th Judicial Circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs Carpenter and Grier constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election of Solicitor.

The hour for the said election having arrived the House proceeded to vote:

Those who voted for Wadell are:

Those who voted for Mr. Settle are:

Mr. Fleming voted for Mr. Kerr.

Mr. Avera, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted a report, and the following bills and resolutions were approved and signed by the Speaker:
An act to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad Company;
An act to allow further time for the registration of grants, conveyances and other instruments;
Resolution in favor of S. S. Hicks;
An act to establish the Bank of Lincolnton;
An act to construct a Railroad from Dallas in Gaston county, by way of Lincolnton to Newton in Catawba county;
Resolution in favor of T. E. and C. M. Skinner, Jr.;
An act amendatory of the law in relation to sheriff's bonds;
An act to provide for the better management and repairs of the Western Turnpike Road;
An act to amend the charter of the Bank of Lexington, and establish the Bank of Graham;
An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Bank of Western North Carolina;
An act supplementary to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly, and ratified on the 9th day of December, 1862, entitled an act to amend an ordinance of the Convention, entitled "an ordinance to make some provision for the families of soldiers dying in the service;"
A resolution in favor of Soloman Pool;
An act to amend the charter of the Cheraw and Coalfields Railroad Company, as amended by an ordinance of the Convention;
An act to prohibit the distillation of spirituous liquors;
An act to change the place of comparing polls in the 44th Senatorial District;
A resolution on printing the Governor's Inaugural Address;
An act to amend an act entitled militia bill, ratified 20th of September, 1861;
An act for the benefit of Justices of the Peace, refugees from their counties;
An act to amend the 9th and 12th sections of 101st chapter of the Revised Code.
Mr. Avera moved that a message be sent to the Senate
proposing to go into an election for Attorney General at 12 o'clock, and nominated Hon. Sion H. Rogers.

Mr. Henry, of Bertie, nominated Benjaman Hardy.

Mr. Carter nominated Henry A. Gilliam.

Mr. Fleming nominated W. A. Jenkins.

H. B. No. 81, to amend the 18th section of the 46th chapter of the Revised Code, was passed its second reading. The rules being suspended, it was put upon its third reading, and rejected.

Received from the Senate a message declining to go into an election for Attorney General at 12 o'clock, but proposing to go into said election at 10 o'clock. Agreed to.

Mr. Shepherd moved to take up the bill reported by the Finance Committee to provide for the issue of more treasury notes. To which the House agreed.

The bill was then put upon its 3d reading.

A number of amendments from the Committee on Finance were offered by Messrs. Worth, Shepherd and Amis, all of which were agreed to.

The bill then passed its second reading, and on motion of Mr. McAden, the rules being suspended, was passed its third reading.

The Speaker announced the question before the House to be the motion of Mr. Peebles to reconsider the vote by which the bill to alter the time of holding the courts and change the rules of pleading therein, was rejected.

Mr. Cowles moved to lay that motion on the table. Agreed to—yeas 57, nays 36.

The hour having arrived, the House proceeded to vote for Attorney General.

Those who voted for Mr. Rogers are:

Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Berry, Bryan, Burgin, Burns, Craig, Fowle, Grissom, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Hawes, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Howard, Ingram, Jenkins, Keener, Kelly, Laws, Lyle, McAden, McCormick, McNeill, McRae, Patterson, Richardson, Robbins, Russ, Shober, Wallen,
Watson, Williams, Woodall, Worth, Young of Iredell and Young of Yancey—42.

Those who voted for Mr. Hardy are:


Those who voted for Mr. Gilliam are:

Messrs. Speaker, Benbury, Bryson, Carter, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank, Pearce, Robinson and Spruill—9.

Those who voted for Mr. Jenkins are:


Mr. Shepherd voted for Mr. Eaton.

H. B. 179, to allow incorporated towns to lay additional taxes, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Carpenter, from the Committee to superintend the election of Solicitor, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 125, of which Thomas Settle had received 95; Mr. Waddell 29 and Mr. Kerr 1. Mr. Settle is therefore declared duly elected.

Mr. McKay moved to make the bill to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company the order for Thursday at 12 o'clock. To which the House agreed.

Mr. Carter, from the Committee to superintend the election of Attorney General, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 137, necessary to a choice 69, of which H. B. Hardy had received 28; H. A. Gilliam 13; S. H. Rogers 62; W. A. Jenkins 32; Mr. Badger 1 and Mr. Eaton 1. No one having received a sufficient number of votes, there is no election.

The House took a recess to 7 o'clock.
Night Session—WEDNESDAY, December 17, 1862.
The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Beam from and after to-day until the adjournment, to Mr. Davenport for the same time, to Mr. McRae from and after to-morrow until the adjournment.
Received from the Senate a message proposing to go forth-with into an election for Attorney General. Agreed to.
Ordered, That Messrs. Mann of Pasquotank, and Costner constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election.
The House proceeded to vote as follows:
Those who voted for Mr. Rogers are:
Those who voted for Mr. Gilliam are:
Messrs. Spruill and Waddell—2.
Those who voted for Mr. Hardy are:
Messrs. Carpenter, Gentry, Manning and Wellborn—4.
Those who voted for Mr. Jenkins are:
Mr. Shepherd voted for Mr. Eaton.
H. B. 101, to charter the Shelby and Broad River Railroad Company, was put on its second reading.
Mr. Beam offered a substitute, which was adopted, and the bill passed its second reading.
H. B. 83, concerning the Deep River Works, was put on its second reading.

Mr. Kirby moved to lay the bill upon the table. To which the House agreed.

Mr. Mann, from the committee to superintend the election of Attorney General, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 125, necessary to a choice 63, of which Sion H. Rogers received 95 votes, Wm. A. Jenkins 21 votes, H. B. Hardy 6 votes, H. A. Gilliam 2 votes, Wm. Eaton 1 vote. Mr. Rogers having received a sufficient number of votes is therefore duly elected.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, December 18, 1862.

Mr. Parks presented a memorial from citizens of Burke county concerning salt.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, from the select committee on supply of salt, reported H. B. No. 90, to provide means to bore for salt water in Chatham county and a substitute.

Mr. Walser reported from the select committee on soldiers' bounty, as follows:

The Joint Select Committee to whom was referred the non-payment of the North Carolina soldiers' bounty, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report: Mr. Gallick, paymaster, was notified and appeared before the committee. From the best information that the committee could get from the paymaster, there remain several regiments and parts of regiments where the soldiers have not received their additional bounty allowed them by the several ordinances of the Convention. But it appears from the statement made by the paymaster, that no one of the volunteers or soldiers has been refused the payment of his bounty when presented in proper form and from the proper authority. The paymaster further informed the committee that there is no law directly making it the duty of the paymaster to visit the
regiments and companies for the purpose of paying soldiers' bounties, but nevertheless, it has been his practice to do so, and he did intend to have visited the army a short time since if he could have provided funds for that purpose.

The statement of the paymaster accompanying this report will show the number of regiments remaining unpaid. The soldiers are allowed 6 per cent interest on the bounty in certain cases, though it does not appear that any has been paid them.

The committee is unanimously of the opinion that no further legislation on the subject is needed.

REGIMENTS PAID IN FULL.

1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23d, 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 33d, 36th, 40th, 41st, 42d, 43d, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52d, 53d, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th (mostly,) 60th, 61st and 63d.

(The N. C. companies) and all battalions but two, and the N. C. companies in the 64th.

UNPAID.

6th, 13th, 15th, 16th, 21st, 22d, 24th, 28th, 34th, 35th, 37th, 38th and 39th. Wharton's battalion of sharp shooters, Sho-ber's battalion.

Love's regiment of rangers, rolls not filed in Adjutant General's office.

Bounty is due to the conscripts assigned to some of the old regiments, which had been paid off before they were called out.

Mr. McKay introduced a resolution, 208, in favor of Drury King. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, the resolution passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Russ a bill, 209, to re-organize the militia. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.
Mr. Shober a bill, 210, to authorize the incorporated towns to lay an *ad valorem* tax on slaves.

Mr. Watson, from the select committee on Salisbury prisoners, reported H. B 113, for the strengthening of the laws already in force, for the protection of personal liberty, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the resolutions reported from the committee on Salisbury prisoners, were taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Costner offered an amendment to the first resolution, "provided the troops in the service of the State or Confederate States are first supplied." Which was agreed to—yeas 66, nays 13.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill, 211, for the relief of such persons as may suffer from the burning of the Court House and records of Hertford county. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the fol-
lowing enrolled bills and resolutions, which were approved and signed by the Speaker:

An act to incorporate the Swift Island Gold Mining Company;

An act in relation to the Richmond Manufacturing Company;

An act to amend the charter of the Western Plankroad;

An act to incorporate the Macon Leather Company, in Macon county;

Resolution in favor of Benj. Fitzrandolph;

Resolution in favor of John Blaylock;

Resolution in favor of Joseph Welch.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill to amend the 1st, 12th and 23d sections of 17th chapter of the Revised Code. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Grissom moved a reconsideration of the vote by which Mr. Costner’s amendment was adopted. Agreed to—yeas 43, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

The hour for the special order having arrived it was postponed until the question before the House shall be disposed of.

The amendment of Mr. Costner was then rejected—yeas 34, nays 46.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Amis moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go into the election of nine Trustees of the University.

To which the House agreed.

The question being upon the passage of the first resolution, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 75, nays 4.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Brown, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Carson, Carter, Cobb, Flynt, Fowle, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarr-

Those who voted in the negative are:
The second resolution was then read.
Mr. Person offered the following amendment:
Provided application for such aid shall be first made to the Governor by any prisoner, and it shall be made to appear that he is unable to employ counsel.
Which was rejected—yeas 23, nays 52.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.
Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then being upon the passage of the resolution, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 65, nays 12.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The third resolution was then passed.

The rules being suspended, the resolutions were read the third time.

A call for the yeas and nays was not seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Mr. Person offered an amendment: "Provided, application for such aid shall be first made by any such prisoners." Not agreed to.

The resolutions then passed.

Received from the Senate a message, declining to go into the election of Trustees of the University.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting a bill to provide for the probate of wills, and granting letters of administration when the county of the residence of testators or intestates is in the possession of the enemy, with amendments. To which the House agreed.

Mr. Watson introduced a resolution, 211, to continue the Board of Claims.

The bill to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad
was made the special order for Friday evening, at half past seven o’clock.

Mr. Joyner introduced a bill, No. 212, concerning unlawful entry and detainer. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Shepherd moved to take up H. B. 73, to fix the prices of articles of prime necessity.

Not agreed to.

Mr. Person moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. 81, to amend the 46th chapter, 18th section of the Revised Code, passed its second reading.

To which the House agreed.

The bill was then put on its third reading.

Mr. McRae offered an amendment; which being adopted, the bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Shepherd moved to take up the bill in favor of Wm. E. Mann. Agreed to.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting an engrossed resolution, protesting against the seizure of Iron by the Confederate Government, belonging to the State of North Carolina, and now in possession of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad Company. Read first time and passed.

Pending a motion to suspend the rules, that it be read the second and third times,

The House took a recess until 7 o’clock.

**NIGHT SESSION—THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1862.**

The question before the House being the resolution in relation to the seizure of Railroad iron by the Confederate Government.

Mr. Shepherd offered a substitute as follows:

*Resolved,* That the Governor of this State be directed to notify the Secretary of War that the iron now in possession
of the Wilmington, Charlotte, and Rutherford Railroad Company, is, in fact, the property of North-Carolina, needed for the prosecution of one of her public works, and to insist that the said iron shall not be diverted from its present use, unless it may be demanded by some urgent military necessity of the Confederate Government.

Which was not agreed to—yeas 40, nays 42.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Received from the Senate a message proposing to go forthwith into an election of nine Trustees for the University. Not agreed to.

The question being upon the passage of the resolutions, Mr. Waddell offered an amendment as follows:

At the end of the first resolution insert "unless it be as a military necessity to finish the Danville Road, and to be returned to the Rutherfordton Road in quantity and quality so soon as the Confederate Government can do so."

And at the end of the 2d resolution insert "except for the
purpose of building the Danville Road upon the terms indicated above."

Mr. Williams offered as an amendment to the amendment: 
"But while we deny the right, at the same time, in case it shall be necessary for the public defence to use this iron, we hereby authorize the Governor to deliver the same to the Confederate Government, either upon the condition that it shall be returned in kind or a reasonable compensation made in money as may be agreed between them.

Which was accepted by Mr. Waddell.

Mr. Fleming offered to amend the amendment by inserting between the words "shall" and "be," the words "in the opinion of the Governor."

To which the House agreed.

The resolutions then passed their second and third readings. Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Walser from and after Saturday until the adjournment.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1862.

The member elect from the county of Camden, W. A. Duke, appeared, presented his credentials and was qualified in accordance with the law.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Walser, Young and Russ from and after Saturday next.

The speaker ratified the following bills:

An act to alter the line between Jackson and Transylvania counties.

An act to incorporate the Presbyterian Publishing and Printing Company in the town of Fayetteville.

An act to perfect certain grants.

Resolution to employ free persons of color on fortifications.

An act for the relief of our sick and wounded soldiers.

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank offered the following resolution: WHEREAS, There is now in the city of Raleigh an immense
amount of clothing belonging to the State; and whereas it is highly important that the same should be distributed, it is therefore,

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to have the necessary measures adopted by which the clothing now in the city of Raleigh, belonging to the State, and intended for our troops, shall be transported to the same with dispatch.

Which was rejected.

Mr. Howard introduced a resolution, 216, in favor of W. A. Meroney. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Carter introduced a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That after the third day of any succeeding session of the present General Assembly, the bills, resolutions, reports and other business pending at the time of adjournment of the next preceding session, shall be taken up for action in their regular order as if there had been no adjournment.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Worth, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill, 217, to create the office of Auditor of Public Accounts. Read first time, passed, and on motion of Mr. Worth the rules were suspended and the bill put on its second reading.

Mr. Worth offered an amendment to provide for two Clerks. Agreed to.

Mr. Shepherd moved that the salary of the Clerks should be fixed at $1,000 per annum each. Agreed to.

Mr. McKay moved to make the salary of the Auditor $2,000 instead of $2,500. Which was not agreed to.

The question then being upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Peebles called for the yeas and nays, but the call was not seconded by one-fifth of the House.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Henry of Bertie moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go forthwith into an election of Adjutant General. Ruled out of order, as this day is set apart for the appointment of Justices of the Peace.
Mr. Peebles moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to postpone the appointment of Justices of the Peace until January 20, 1863. Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Williams, ordered that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go forthwith into the election of Adjutant General.

Mr. Henry of Bertie, nominated John Randolph.
Mr. Gentry nominated R. C. Duval.
Mr. Russ nominated R. H. Cowan.
Mr. Alford nominated Daniel G. Fowle.
Mr. Keener nominated C. P. Bryson.
Mr. Mann of Hyde, nominated Wm. E. Mann.

Mr. Wallen introduced a bill to amend the second section of an ordinance of the Convention entitled "an ordinance to repeal an ordinance passed at the present session of the Convention entitled an ordinance amendatory of an ordinance to raise North Carolina's quota of Confederate troops," ratified the 19th day of February, 1862, and to extend the provisions as to bounty to certain other persons. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Received from the Senate a message agreeing to the amendments of the House to the resolutions relative to the seizure of Railroad Iron.

Also a message transmitting a bill concerning the Justices of Johnston county with certain amendments, and asking the agreement of the House in the same. To which the House refused to agree.

Also a message agreeing to the proposition of the House to postpone the appointment of Justices of the Peace till January 20, 1863.

Also a message stating the refusal of the Senate to agree to the proposition of the House to go forthwith into the election for Adjutant General.

Also a message stating that the Senate proposes to suspend joint rule No. 5, as far as regards the bill entitled "Revenue."

The Speaker presented a communication from the public Treasurer concerning eight per cent bonds.
Mr. Amis moved that the document be printed, which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henry of Bertie, moved to take up H. B. 213, to amend sections 1st, 12th and 23rd of 17th chapter of the Acts of 1860-'61, Which was agreed to.

The bill was then read a second time and rejected—yeas 36, nays 49.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Peebles

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to go forthwith into an election for Adjutant General.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, a message was sent to the Senate proposing to go into an election of five Trustees of the Lunatic Asylum to-day.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions:

A bill concerning a supply of salt. Read first time and passed.
On motion of Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.

A resolution concerning the seizure of Rev. R. J. Graves. Passed.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate declines to agree to the proposition to go into an election for Adjutant General.

Received from the Senate a message that the Senate declines to agree to the proposition to go into an election of five Trustees of the Lunatic Asylum immediately, but proposing to go into that election at 8 o'clock this evening. Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. No. 33, for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers was taken up and read the second time.

The question being upon the amendment reported by the committee, it being the amendment of Mr. Cobb.

Leave of absence was asked for Mr. Kerner, but the House refused to grant it.

Pending the consideration of Mr. Cobb's amendment to H. B. No. 33, the House took a recess until 7 o'clock.

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Night Session—Friday, December 19, 1862.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions:

Resolution in favor G. W. Crumpler, late Sheriff of Sampson. Read first time and passed.

A bill to be entitled "An act to raise revenue for the State." Read first time and passed.

The hour having arrived for the election of Trustees of the Lunatic Asylum, the following gentlemen were put in nomination:

P. F. Pescud, D. Cobb, J. E. Williams, J. A. Leak, C. E. Johnson, John G. King, Joseph G. Carroway, Colin Shaw,

Ordered, That Messrs. Avera and Brown constitute House branch of the committee to superintend the election.

The House proceeded to vote.

Mr. Person from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported H. B. No. 11, to authorize the Governor to employ and impress slave labor on State defences, with a substitute. The substitute of the committee was adopted, and the bill was then read the third time.

Mr. Hollingsworth moved to amend by striking out $1 and inserting $10, in the 4th section, which was rejected.

Mr. Peebles offered an amendment as follows:

"That the hired slaves belonging to minors shall not be pressed into service under this act if the persons hiring said slaves have a sufficient number of his own to meet the demand made on him;" which was rejected.

Mr. Carter offered an amendment, add after the word "Auditor," "or Board of Claims;" which was adopted.

Mr. Hollingsworth moved to strike out the 5th section; which was not agreed to.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Received a message from the Senate transmitting H. B. No. —, with some amendments, and asking the concurrence of the House. Concurred in.

Mr. Grissom moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to give the appointment of Adjutant General to the Governor was rejected.

Mr. Williams moved to lay that motion on the table; which motion was agreed to—yeas 30, nays 38.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present:

Those who voted in the affirmative are,

Messrs. Barringer, Benbury, Brown, Cobb, Costner, Davis, Foy, Harris of Chatham, Hawes, Howard, Ingram, Joyner, Jenkins, Keener, Logan, Love, Mann of Hyde, Manning, Mc-
Kay, Nissen, Pearce, Peebles, Person, Riddick, Rhodes, Robinson, Russ, Waddell, Williams and Worth—30.

Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then recurring upon the motion to reconsider, it was agreed to.

Mr. Peebles moved to adjourn, which was not agreed to.

The question then being upon the passage of the bill its third reading,
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

The Speaker announced that there was not a quorum voting.

Mr. McAden moved that a call of the House be made.
Mr. Peebles moved to adjourn. Not agreed to.
The motion of Mr. McAden was then agreed to, and the call was ordered.

The following named members answered to their names:
Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryson, Burns, Carpenter, Cobb, Costner, Carter, Gentry, Glenn, Grissom, Hampton,

The following named members did not answer to their names:


Mr. Avera from the committee to superintend the election of Directors of the Lunatic Asylum reported as follows:

The committee appointed on the part of the House to superintend the election of five Directors of the Lunatic Asylum, report that the whole number of votes cast in the two Houses was 107, necessary to a choice 54.

P. F. Pescud received 85; Rev. Colin Shaw 79; James A. Leak 73; Dr. J. E. Williamson 73; Dr. C. E. Johnson 58; Dr. Ellis Malone 48; Dr. John A. Williams 26; M. Q. Waddell, 23; S. J. Person, 12; J. G. King, 12; W. M. Manning, 11; David Cobb, 10; Dr. James T. Leach, 5; Dr. W. H. McKee, 4; A. M. Lewis, 4; K. P. Battle, 3; Mr. Foy, 3; B. F. Moore, 2; H. S. Smith, 2; Dr. Charles Skinner, 2; C. B. Harrison, 2; J. L. Manney, 1; W. Hughes, 1; Rev. W. Closs, 1; W. A. Steele, 1; Mr. Carroway, 1.

P. F. Pescud, Rev. Colin Shaw, James A. Leak, Dr. J. E. Williamson and Dr. C. E. Johnson, having received a majority of all the votes cast, are therefore duly elected.
On motion of Mr. Shepherd, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, and the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock, the question being on the motion to reconsider.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1863.

Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably, H. B. 216, in favor of W. A. Meroney. On motion of Mr. Howard, the rules were suspended and the resolution passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably H. B. 201, in favor of John Martin, late sheriff of Stokes County.

Mr. Howard presented a memorial from citizens of Davie county, praying that the tax on toll gates be lessened.

Mr. Henry of Henderson presented a memorial from certain citizens of Henderson for the appointment of a magistrate.


Mr. Grissom introduced a resolution, 221, in favor of the Engrossing Clerks. Read first time and passed.

The rules being suspended it was read the second time and rejected.

The Speaker presented a report of the Board of Claims.

On motion,

Ordered, That it be sent to the Senate with a message proposing to print and postpone its further consideration until the 20th of January.

H. 161, a bill to incorporate the Silver Lead Mining Company was read the second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Beall, the rules were suspended and the bill passed its third reading.
H. 217, a bill concerning bounty to soldiers not citizens of this State was read second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wallen, the rules were suspended and the bill passed its third reading.

Received from the Senate a message that the Senate proposes for the remainder of this session to suspend the fifth joint rule.

Which was agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message agreeing to the proposition to postpone the further consideration of the report of the Board of Claims to Jan. 20th, 1863.

The following bills passed their second and third readings.

S. 220, a resolution in favor of G. W. Crumpler.
H. 130, a resolution in favor of Lewis Williamson.
H. 153, a resolution in favor of C. P. Bryson.

Mr. Grissom moved to suspend the rules requiring Saturday to be solely for the action upon private bills, and to take up 213, a bill to give the appointment of Adjutant General to the Governor.

Which was agreed to—yeas 54, nays 21.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Brown, Costner, Davis, Fleming, Foy, Hawes, Henry of Bertie, Joyner, Judkins, Lemmonds, Logan, Love,
Manning, McKay, Pearce, Peebles, Person, Rhodes, Robinson, Waddell and Williams—21.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions:

A bill continuing in force 1st section of an ordinance concerning collection of taxes in certain counties, passed 4th session of Convention. Read first time and passed.

Resolution in favor of the Doorkeepers. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion, the consideration of private bills was made the special order for 7 o'clock this evening.

The Speaker announced that he had signed and approved the following bills and resolutions:

An act to establish the office of Auditor of Public Accounts;

An act to provide for the probate of wills, and granting letters of administration when the county of the residence of the testator is in the hands of the enemy;

An act in relation to a supply of salt;

Resolution in relation to the seizure and transportation from the State of R. J. Graves, a citizen of Orange county;

Resolution in favor of the Doorkeepers;

Resolution in favor of Lewis Williamson;

Resolution in favor of G. W. Crumpler.

Received from the Senate a message, that the Senate proposes to go into an election of Auditor of Public Accounts, at half past one o'clock to-day, and stating that Saml. F. Phillips and M. Q. Waddell were in nomination.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Mr. Carter nominated John A. Stanly as a candidate for Auditor.

Mr. Peebles nominated Hon. S. J. Person.

Mr. Person asked that the nomination be withdrawn.

The question being upon the passage of H. B. 213, Mr. Person moved to postpone to the 20th January.

Which was not agreed to—yeas 26, nays 47.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The bill then passed its second reading—yeas 42, nays 32.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Grissom moved to suspend the rules that the bill might be read the third time.

Which was not agreed to—two-thirds of the members present did not vote in favor of the motion—yeas 42, nays 31.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions, which were read the first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, were passed their second and third readings:

A bill, 225, for the support of the Lunatic Asylum;
A resolution, 224, in favor of the Principal Clerks of the House and Senate;
A bill, 226, concerning the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum.

Mr. Amis moved that the Revenue Bill be taken up.

Mr. McKay moved that it be postponed to January 20th, 1863.

Which was agreed to—yeas 45, nays 28.

Mr. Grissom presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk of the House of Commons be instructed to have printed the state of all the bills upon his calendar in sufficient number of copies for each member of the House, and that they be laid upon the desks
of the members on the 19th day of January, 1863,—the opening of the next session.

Which was passed.

Ordered, That Messrs Cowles and Love constitute our part of the committee to superintend the election of Auditor.

The hour set apart for said election having arrived, the House proceeded to vote.

Those who voted for Mr. Phillips are:

Those who voted for Mr. Stanly are:

Those who voted for Mr. Person are:

On motion of Mr. Logan, H. 43, a bill to allow C. M. Green, sheriff of Cleaveland, to collect arrears of taxes, was taken up and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Robbins, H. 162, a bill to incorporate the Randolph Manufacturing Company was taken up. The amendments of the Committee were adopted and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Cowles, from the committee to superintend the election of Auditor, reported that the whole number of votes cast was 116, necessary to a choice 59, of which Mr. Phillips received 65, Mr. Stanly 36, Mr. Person 11 and Mr. Waddell 4. Mr. Phillips is therefore declared elected.
Mr. Amis moved to take up H. 33, a bill for the relief of wives and families of soldiers.
Pending which motion the House took a recess until seven o'clock.

Night Session—Saturday, December 20, 1862.
Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution, 227, relative to the contingent Fund of the Board of Claims. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution assigning a room to the Auditor. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. McKay moved that the bill to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company be made the special order on the 26th day January, 1863.
Mr. Keener, moved to take up H. B.97, requiring the Governor to appoint Commissioners to examine the Agency of Cherokee Lands, as relates to Turnpikes in Jackson county, and that it be put on its several readings. Agreed to.
The bill then passed its second and third readings.
H. B. No. 175, to incorporate the town of Marion was then taken up and passed its second and third readings.
H. B. No. 191, to pay the officers and privates of Capt. J. F. Banks' company was taken up and passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Grissom moved to take up H. B. No. 33, in favor of the wives and families of soldiers.
Which motion was not agreed to.
Mr. ——— offered a resolution in favor of the Engrossing Clerks. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, it was put on its second readings.
Mr. McKay moved to amend by striking out $2 and inserting $1, which was agreed to.
The resolution as amended passed its second and third readings.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting the following bill:

A bill to authorize and require the Quartermaster of the State to pay commutation money to the soldiers of North Carolina for boots and shoes.

The following bills and resolutions were ratified:

An act for the relief of such persons as may suffer from the burning of the Court House and Records of Hertford county.

An act for the support of the Insane Asylum.

An act concerning the N. C. Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and the Blind.

A resolution in favor of the Clerks of the House and Senate.

Resolutions protesting against the seizure of iron by the Confederate States belonging to the State of North-Carolina, and now in the possession of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad Company.

A message was received from the Senate, transmitting the following bill:

A bill to change the term of office of the Adjutant General, and for other purposes. Passed first reading.

Mr. Worth introduced a resolution; which was passed its first reading, and the rules being suspended, was put on its second reading.

Mr. Shepherd moved to substitute H. B. 213 for the resolution. Upon which motion the House voted, and there was found not to be a quorum present.

Mr. McAden moved that a call of the House be made; which motion was agreed to.

The roll was then called, and the following named members answered to their names:

Messrs. Allison, Amis, Bernhardt, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Carter, Cobb, Cowles, Craig, Davis, Duke, Fleming, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham,

It appearing that there was a quorum present,

Mr. Carter moved the House proceed to business, and that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

Mr. Peebles moved to adjourn. Not agreed to.

The question being upon Mr. Shepherd's motion to substitute, the vote was taken, and it was found that there was no quorum voting.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning half past 4 o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1862.

A number of bills were approved and signed by the Speaker.

Mr. McCormick presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby tendered to the Hon. R. S. Donnell, for the zeal, impartiality and efficiency with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

The Speaker then announced that in accordance with the joint resolution of the two Houses, he did now declare this House adjourned until the 19th day of January, 1863.
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1863.
The day and hour set apart by a joint order of the two Houses of the General Assembly for the re-assembling of those bodies having arrived, the Speaker called the House to order, and the roll being called the following members answered to their names:


The speaker announced that there was not a quorum of members present.

On motion of Mr. Love,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY, 20, 1863.
The roll was called and the following named members were present:

It appeared thereupon that a quorum was in attendance.

On motion of Mr. Robbins, Isaac H. Foust, member elect from the county of Randolph, whose certificate of election had been mislaid, was allowed to qualify and take his seat.

Mr. Love presented the credentials of Mr. Jas. H. Smith, member elect from the county of Washington.

Messrs. Foust and Smith appeared and were qualified in accordance with the law.

The Speaker presented a communication from Hon. R. M. Saunders, transmitting presentments of the Grand Juries of Polk and Cleveland counties. Read and referred to the Committee on Proposition and Grievances.

Mr. Shepherd presented the following resolution:  
Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to inquire and report whether any legislation is expedient or proper in order to guard the health of the people now and hereafter from the spread of small pox by a regular and systematic mode of vaccination.

Which was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Watson, McCormick, Beall, Carson, and Love be said committee.

Mr. Love presented a resolution requesting the Governor, if not inconsistent with the public interest, to communicate to this House the reports of general officers concerning the
late raid upon our Eastern counties and other information in relation to the movements of the enemy in that section.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill, No. 233, to stop the interest on debts when Confederate notes are tendered in payment and refused. Read first time and passed.

Mr. McCormick a bill, No. 234, to amend an act passed this session of General Assembly, concerning money due deceased soldiers. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. McCormick, the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Henry of Bertie, presented the following resolutions:

Resolved by the House of Commons of the General Assembly of North-Carolina, That the language used by the Richmond Enquirer, and other ill-tempered partisan papers out of and in this State, towards the Legislature of North-Carolina, is alike slanderous, censorious and unjust, and deserve the scorn and contempt of every free and true-hearted son of North-Carolina.

Resolved, That it is with ill grace that any Richmond paper seeks to defame the Legislature of North-Carolina, or any portion of her people, so long as they owe the very existence of that city, and the protection of its people and homes, mainly to the gallant troops of North-Carolina.

Be it further resolved, That North-Carolina is a free and independent sovereign State, and will use all constitutional means to defend her rights and liberties against insult and oppression, from whatever quarter it may come.

Mr. Henry moved that the resolutions be printed. Which motion was agreed to—yeas 62, nays 19.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

The following members voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Alford, Amis, Aversa, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Beabury, Berry, Best, Bizzell, Bryan, Bryan, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Carson, Colwes, Craig, Flynt, Foust, Fowle, Green, Hampton, Harrison, Hawes, Henry of

The following members voted in the negative:

On motion of Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, the resolutions were made the special order for Thursday at 12 o'clock.

The Speaker presented a letter from Mr. Baldwin, of Columbus county, resigning his seat on account of continued ill health.

On motion of Mr. Waddell, a writ of election was ordered to be issued, and that said election be held on the 29th day of January.

Mr. Shepherd announced the death of Mr. Barrow, member elect from the county of Craven, and on his motion, a writ of election was ordered to be issued, and that said election be held on the 29th of January.

Mr. Costner introduced a bill, No. 235, to legalize a Court held in Lincoln county. Read first time and passed, and, on motion of Mr. Costner, the rules were suspended and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Peebles a bill, No. 236, concerning the emancipation of slaves by will. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Henry of Bertie, a bill, No. 237, to authorize the employment of a messenger in the Executive Department. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shepherd a resolution, No. 238, to provide a room for the Engrossing Clerks. Read first time, passed, and the
rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

The Speaker presented a memorial from certain citizens of Catawba and Lincoln counties. Read.

Also, presentment of the Grand Jury of Burke county, which was read and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Speaker having announced that to-day was the day set apart for the appointment of magistrates;

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing to set apart Saturday next, as a day for the appointment of magistrates.

Mr. Peebles presented the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested to use their exertions for the passage of a law making Confederate notes a legal tender for the payment of debts.

Read and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Richardson introduced a resolution, 239, in favor of G. B. Threadgill. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shepherd a bill, 240, to amend an act ratified Dec. 20th, 1862, entitled "An act to provide ways and means for supplying the Treasury. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was read the second time.

Mr. Peebles moved to amend by saying that the Comptroller may employ an assistant whose salary shall not be more than $2 per day.

Which was not agreed to.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Brown introduced a bill, 241, to amend the act of the last General Assembly entitled "An act to change the jurisdiction of the Courts and alter the rules of pleading therein." Read first time and passed.

Mr. Waddell presented a resolution proposing that a committee of two be appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the
Governor, and inform him that the House was ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make.
Which was agreed to.
Ordered, That Messrs. Waddell and Amis be said committee.
Mr. Young, of Yancey, introduced a resolution, 242, in favor of Charles Byrd. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Bryan a bill, 243, in favor of M. Walker. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
On motion of Mr. Watson, the Revenue Bill was made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.
Mr. Burgin moved that the rules be suspended, and the House adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.
Not agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B., No. 210, to allow incorporated towns to lay an ad valorem tax on slaves, was taken up and read the second time and passed, the rules being suspended, it was passed its third reading.
On motion of Mr. McCormick, H. B. 137, to incorporate the Western N. C. Copper, Gold Mining and Copperas Manufacturing Company, was read second time and passed, and the rules being suspended, it was passed its third reading.
Received from the Senate a message stating the agreement of that body to the proposition to set apart Saturday next, for the appointment of magistrates.
On motion of Mr. Waddell,
The rules were suspended, and the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1863.
On motion of Mr. Amis, the use of the Commons Hall was granted to the Young Men's Christian Association for this
evening, that a lecture may be delivered therein by Hon. Jesse G. Shepherd.

Mr. Waddell presented a resolution concerning passports to be issued to citizens by the Provost Marshal, and requesting the Governor to procure from the Secretary of War an exemption from such annoyance for the members of the Legislature and its officers.

After consideration of the resolution,

Mr. Fowle offered as a substitute the following:

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed to inquire into the power under which Lieut. R. E. Walker, calling himself Provost Marshal, requires all citizens to obtain passes before leaving the City of Raleigh, and report by bill or otherwise.

Which was adopted; and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Fowle, Grissom, Peebles, Foy and Allison, be said committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Robbins, Cobb, Richardson, Bynum and Carpenter, constitute our part of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Costner introduced a resolution, No. 244, in favor of Daniel Tucker. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting H. B. No. 234, with an amendment adopted by that body, and asking the agreement of the House to the same.

Amendment agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKay, H. B. 194, for the relief of landlords, was taken up, and read the second time.

Mr. McKay moved to amend that its provision should be in force only during the war. Not agreed to.

The bill then passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its third reading.

Mr. Foy introduced resolutions No. 245, in relation to the liberty of the people. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Foy moved to suspend the rules, pending the consid-
eration of which motion, the special order, it being the Revenue Bill, was taken up.

Mr. Manning moved to amend the 1st section by striking out after the word "State," in the 9th line, to the word "excepting," in the 14th line, and insert: "which slaves, excepting mechanics, shall be distributed into the following classes, and are hereby declared to be of the following values: children under five years of age, $100; from five to ten years of age, $200; from ten to fifteen years of age, $350. Men from fifteen to thirty years of age, $600; from thirty to forty years, $450; from forty to fifty years, $350; from fifty to sixty years, $200. Women from fifteen to twenty-five years, $600; from twenty-five to thirty-five years, $450; from thirty-five to forty years, $350; from forty to fifty years, $200. And all slaves habitually employed in any mechanical trade into the following classes, and of the following values: from eighteen to thirty-five years of age, $1,000; from thirty-five to forty-five years, $850; from forty-five to fifty-five years, $550; from fifty-five to sixty years, $400. All other slaves not included within the aforesaid classes to be deemed of the value of $25.

Which amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Cowles moved to strike out the 6th clause of the 1st section, which provides for taxing "horses, mules, cattle, hogs, and other live stock raised or kept for sale, and not for the use of the owner." Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Shepherd moved to amend, by inserting at the end of line 26, 1st section, as follows: "Money invested in manufacturing of any kind, and in every species of trade, where some other tax is not laid by another section of this act."

Which amendment was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the 2d section, 6th line, was amended by striking out "and" between the words "structures and edifices," and inserting after "edifices" the words "and parsonages."

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the 4th section, 2d line, was amended, by striking out the words "Banks and."
Mr. Sherwood moved to amend the 6th section, 4th line—insert before the word "school" the word "original." Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McCormick, the 6th section, 5th line was amended, by striking out the words "or for each school district, at the option of the Court."

Mr. Robbins moved to amend section 52, clause 11, line 63, by striking out the word "two" and inserting "one," and in line 69, by striking out the figure "8" and inserting figure "4." Not agreed to.

Mr. Glenn moved to amend section 52, clause 11, line 67, after the word "dollar," by inserting "provided the scalp of a fox be received in lieu thereof." Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKay, section 52 was amended, by inserting at the end of clause 11, "Provided, however, That the County Court of each county, a majority of the Justices being present, in their discretion may levy the above taxes on dogs, and the taxes collected levied under this section be for county purposes.

Mr. Bryson moved to strike out all of clause 11, section 52 Not agreed to.

Mr. Amis, by leave, introduced a resolution amending the rules so as to repeal the rule adopted at the last session providing for a meeting of the House at 10 o'clock, A. M., that it shall sit until 2 P. M., and then adjourn to meet at 7 P. M.

On motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1863.

The Speaker presented the report of the Board of Claims; which was read and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to raise a joint select committee of two upon its part, and three upon the part of the House, who shall exam-
ine the arrangement of the public offices, and report a scheme for their better distribution.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Foust, Russ and Burgin constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. Flynt presented a petition from citizens of Stokes county to change the time of holding a term of the County Court. Read,

Mr. Flynt introduced a bill to change the time of holding a term of the County Court of Stokes county. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a resolution concerning negroes owning dogs, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Also, Mr. Fowle, from same committee, reported favorably H. B. 146, concerning sales of land.

Mr. McKay, from the same committee, reported adversely H. B. 147, for the relief of sheriffs.

Mr. Amis, from the same, reported adversely H. B. 232, a bill for the benefit of persons who have entered vacant lands.

Mr. Waddell, also from the same, reported H. Bill 212, concerning unlawful entry and detainer, and asked to be discharged from its farther consideration.

Mr. Fowle, from the select committee concerning passes to citizens, reported that Lieut. Walker appeared before them, and disclaimed any power to require all citizens to get passports of him; that it would, though, be of great benefit to citizens to obtain such passports when about to visit places where martial law prevailed, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Report of committee was agreed to.

Mr. Mann of P. introduced a resolution, 247, in favor of M. F. Shaw. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Headen presented a resolution as follows;
Resolved, That in the opinion of the General Assembly of North-Carolina, flogging is a mode of punishment that ought not to be practiced in the Confederate States army, and that our Senators and Representatives be requested to use their influence to have the same stricken from the army regulations.

On motion of Mr. McKay it was amended, by inserting after the word "flogging," the words "bucking and gagging."

The resolution, as amended, was then agreed to:

Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution, No. 248, concerning soldiers' bounty. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. McAden a resolution, 249, in favor of Wm. J. Murray. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Love a resolution, 250, in favor of Wm. Green. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Peebles a bill, 251, by which free persons of color may enslave themselves. Read first time and passed, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Peebles a bill, 252, to change time of meeting of the General Assembly. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Sherwood a bill, 253, to change time of meeting of the General Assembly. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Carson a bill, 254, concerning Justices of the Peace in Alexander county. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Young of Yancey, a bill, 255, in favor of A. A. Wise- man, Sheriff of Mitchell county. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Wallen a bill, 256, in favor of H. Hunter. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Lemmonds a bill, 257, in favor of C. Austin. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Bryan a bill, 258, to change the Probate Court of Rutherford county. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Allison a bill, 259, to incorporate the Orphans' Educational Board. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Henry of Henderson, a bill, 260, to legalize the pro-
ceedings of a County Court in Henderson county. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Bryan, the rules were suspended, and the bill just introduced by him, 258, was passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message, therewith transmitting the following engrossed bill and resolution:

A bill, 261, to incorporate the town of Chestnut Hill, in Rowan county. Read first time and passed.

Resolution, 262, concerning manufacture of Cotton Cards. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message, stating its part of the committee concerning public offices.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to raise a joint committee of three on its part, and five upon the part of the House, in reference to the communications from other States as to guaranteeing the Confederate debt.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Grissom, Shepherd, Person, Shober and Allison constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. Amis called up his resolution rescinding the rule that the House shall meet at 10 o'clock, and adjourn at 2 o'clock, to meet again at 7 o'clock in the evening; and it was passed.

The consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, it being the Revenue bill, was then resumed.

Mr. McAden moved to strike out all of clause 13, section 52. Not agreed to—yeas 36, nays 51.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Avera, Bizzell, Bynum, Carpenter, Carson, Cobb, Cowles, Crawford, Davenport, Foy, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Hooper, Howard, Horton, Jenkins, Joyner, Lemmonds,
Love, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank, McCaden, McCormick, McKay, Patterson, Pearce, Peebles, Robinson, Watson, Williams, Woodall and Young of Yancey—36.

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Watson moved to amend section 52, clause 14, 96th and 99th lines by striking out the word "purchases" and inserting "profits," the amendment from the Senate to insert "sales" having been rejected.

Mr. Watson's amendment was agreed to—yeas 70, nays 12.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Shepherd moved to amend the amendment by striking
out all after the word "ten" in the 98th line and inserting "cents per gallon on the amount of his sales." Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Cowles moved to amend by inserting after "spirituous liquors" in the 94th line "spirits of turpentine," and in the 98th line after "spirituous liquors distilled in this State," add "spirits of turpentine distilled in this State." Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Berry moved to amend 98th line of clause 14, section 52, by striking out the word "ten" and inserting the word "twenty." Which was not agreed to.

A call for the yeas and nays was not seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Mr. Allison moved to amend clause 15 of section 52 as follows: In 113th line strike out the word "one" and insert "two;" strike out of 116th line the word "two" and insert "four;" strike out of 119th line the word "three" and insert "six." Which were not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, section 69, clause 4, line 24, was amended by striking out all after the word "State," and inserting "two per cent. tax on their gross receipts."

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, section 69, clause 11, line 43, was amended by striking out the word "sixty" and inserting "one hundred."

On motion of Mr. Brown, section 69, clause 15, line 70, was amended by striking out the word "thirty-five" and inserting the word "fifty."

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, section 69, clause 27, was amended by adding at the end of the clause: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall subject to a double tax the estate of a soldier in the service."

Mr. Avera moved to amend section 80, clause 3, line 19, by striking out the words "every marriage license." Which was not agreed to.

On motion, the Revenue Bill was made the special order for Monday next at 11 o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1863.

Mr. Parks introduced a bill to correct errors on the tax roll of Burke county. Read first and passed, and under suspension of the rules was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Ingram introduced a resolution 265, in favor of John A. Long. Read first time, passed and under a suspension of the rules was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Walser a bill, 266, accompanied by a memorial, in favor of Percy Ann Walker, a free person of color. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Craig a bill, 267, in favor of Isaac A. Rue, late sheriff of McDowell county. Read first time, passed and under suspension of the rules passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shober a bill, 268, concerning fees of clerks and sheriffs. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Shober a bill, 269, to authorize guardians and others holding funds in trust to invest the same in Confederate bonds. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. McKay a bill, 270, to authorize the Governor to issue commissions to hold courts of Oyer and Terminer and for other purposes. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Shepherd a bill, 271, to provide for the establishment of Iron Works for the manufacture of railroad and other iron. Read first time, passed and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, the use of the Hall was this evening granted to the Young Men’s Christian Association.

On motion of Mr. Amis, Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House proposes on Monday at 1 o’clock to go into an election of nine Trustees of the University.

On motion of Mr. Amis, the Revenue Bill was made the special order for Monday next at 11 o’clock.

Received from the Senate, a message declining on Monday next to go into an election for Trustees of the University.
On motion of Mr. Grissom, H. B. No. 213, to amend 1st, 12th and 23d sections of chapter 17, of Acts of 1861, was taken up and read the third time.

Mr. Peebles offered as a substitute the following: Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert "That the term of office of the Adjutant General shall be two years; but he may be removed from office at the option of the Governor. Any vacancy in said office during a recess of the General Assembly may be filled by the Governor, and his appointee shall hold his office till a successor is elected by the General Assembly, or until he shall be removed by the Governor."

Which was not agreed to. Yeas 8, nays 74.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then recurring upon the passage of the bill its third reading, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 63, nays 25.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. McAden moved to reconsider the vote just had, and moved to lay that motion on the table.

The Speaker ruled that the gentleman could have but one motion before the House at a time.

Mr. McAden then moved to reconsider the vote.

On motion of Mr. Grissom, that motion was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Peebles, H. B. 147, for the relief of Sheriffs, was taken up and read the second time.

The bill was considered and rejected.

Received from the Senate a message, therewith transmitting the following engrossed bills:

A bill, No. 272, for the relief of persons who have overpaid or may hereafter overpay, taxes. Read first time and passed.

A bill, 273, to authorize C. A. Boon, Sheriff of Guilford, and Jos. Lusk, Sheriff of Gaston, to collect arrears of taxes. Read first time, and under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second reading.

A bill, 274, to authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to administer oaths. Read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Mann of Pasquotank, H. B. No. 232,
concerning land heretofore entered, was taken up and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Governor, by his Private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, a message transmitting a proposition from Messrs. Jones to manufacture salt for the State.

Mr. Waddell introduced a resolution to carry out the views of the Governor. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, was read the second time and rejected.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate with the message of the Governor, and stating that the House of Commons proposes to refer the subject to the joint committee on supply of salt.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the House went into secret session.

Which being over, on motion of Mr. Walser, H. B. No. 33, a bill for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers in the army, was taken up and read the third time.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment offered by the committee,

Mr. Manning offered an amendment to the 4th section, which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bynum offered a proviso to the 3d section, which was not agreed to.

Pending the consideration of H. B. 33,

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 1863.

Mr. Robbins, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely H. B. 183, concerning Sheriffs and their sureties.

Mr. Fowle, from the same, reported adversely to H. B. 269, to authorize guardians and others holding funds in trust to invest the same in Confederate bonds.
Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably H. R. 244, in favor of Daniel Tucker.

Also, favorably, H. R. 247, in favor of Wm. F. Shaw. Under a suspension of the rules, this resolution was passed its second and third readings.

Also, from the same, favorably, H. R. 205, in favor of A. B. Downs.

Also, favorably, H. R. 202, in favor of W. W. Grier.

Also, a memorial of Jos. D. Hayes, with a resolution, 277, in favor of Jos. D. Hayes.

Mr. Bryson presented a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the title of a certain grant.

Mr. Waller introduced a bill, No. 276, to incorporate the town of Marshall. Read first time and passed, and, under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shober introduced a bill, No. 278, concerning Notaries Public. Read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Mann of P. a bill, 279, concerning administration on soldiers' estates. Read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Horton a bill, No. 284, to repeal an act passed this session of the General Assembly, in relation to county site of Mitchell county. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Hawes introduced a bill, 280, to amend the charter of the town of Wilmington. Read first time and passed, and, under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Sherwood a bill, 285, to incorporate Springfield Literary Society. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to the House of Commons that on Monday next, at 12 o'clock, the two Houses go into secret session, to hear a communication from the Governor, and that a committee of
two upon its part, and three on the part of the House be appointed to wait upon His Excellency, and inform him of this action of the two Houses.

Which was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Albritton, Bynum and Foust constitute our part of said committee.

The Speaker announced that the House would now proceed to the appointment of magistrates in fulfillment of the joint order.

Mr. McAden moved to postpone the said appointments to the 3d Monday of November, 1864. Not agreed to.

Mr. Costner presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House, that Justices of the Peace, to be appointed by this General Assembly, ought to be persons not subject to the conscription act of Congress.

Which resolution was passed.

The appointment of magistrates was then proceeded with, the roll of counties being called alphabetically.

When the county of Forsythe was called, objection was made to the list, but the House sustained the recommendation—yeas 52, nays 25.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Bizzell, Brown, Cobb, Costner, Crawford, Davenport, Foy, Glenn, Grier, Harris of Chatham, Hawes, Hen-

Received from the Senate a message, therewith transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolution:

A bill, 281, to incorporate the town of Dallas, in Gaston county. Read first time and passed.

A bill, 282, to enforce and make more effectual an act of the General Assembly, ratified December 22, 1862, regulating payment of bounty. Read first time and passed.

A resolution, 283, authorizing the Governor to make contracts for manufacture of salt. Read first time and passed.

A motion was made to suspend the rules, that it might be read the second time; but on motion of Mr. McKay, its further consideration was postponed to Tuesday next, at 12 o'clock.

The appointment of magistrates was then resumed.

When the county of Pasquotank was called on, objection was made because some of the persons to be appointed, though they were in the enemy's lines, were under the conscript age.

The House refused to sustain the recommendation—ayes 33, noes 44.

A call for the yeas and nays was not seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

When Randolph was called on, motion of Mr. Person, two names were stricken from the list, as the members were not positive that they were above the conscript age.

Received from His Excellency, the Governor, a message transmitting some documents relative to the Chatham Coalfields Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Shober, the message and documents were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Mann of Pasquotank,
The House adjourned to Monday, 10 o'clock.
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1863.

Mr. Cobb presented a memorial from Joseph Hadley.—Read and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

Ordered, That a committee of two be appointed to make arrangements for the reception of His Excellency, the Governor, and the Senate.

Ordered, That Messrs Amis and Love be said committee.

Mr. Allison from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably H. B. 248, concerning the soldiers' bounty.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank, from Committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably H. B. 58, to amend the charter of Greenville & French Broad Railroad Company.

Mr. Bynum presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the two Houses of the General Assembly do adjourn sine die on Monday, the 2d day of February, 1863, at 12 o'clock M.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Smith of Washington, presented a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to make inquiry as to the propriety of passing a law in relation to deeds and other papers which have been destroyed in eastern counties.

Mr. Benbury introduced a bill, 286, to authorize the Governor to promote deserving soldiers. Read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Gentry a bill, 287, for the relief of the citizens of Alleghany county. Read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Henry of Henderson, a bill, 288, in favor of Isaac Arledge. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Henry of Henderson, presented a memorial from citizens of Henderson county against taxation of slaves by counties. Read and referred to Finance Committee.
Mr. Amis from the committee to make arrangements for the reception of Senate and the Governor, submitted a report.

The Revenue Bill being the special order, was then taken up.

On motion of Mr. Amis, the bill was referred back to the committee with instructions to report an amendment to the 2d clause of the 1st section.

The consideration of H. B., No. 33, was postponed to 1 o'clock.

The next special order, the bill, 126, to amend charter of Chatham Railroad Company, was then taken up and considered.

Pending its consideration, the House went into secret session.

On motion, Hon. R. B. Gilliam, late Speaker of the House of Commons, who was present in the lobby, was invited to remain in the House during the secret session.

The secret session being over, the bill, 126, to amend charter of Chatham Railroad Company, was taken up and it being stated that the Committee on Internal Improvements had not reported upon it, its further consideration was postponed.

H. B. No. 33, to provide for the relief of the wives and families of soldiers, was then taken up.

The committee amendment to section 3d, was not agreed to—yeas 41, nays 54.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

On motion of Mr. Walser, the 1st section was amended by striking out "five hundred thousand dollars" and inserting "one million dollars." Also, in line 7th, after the word "State," insert "and all of the wives and families of all soldiers who have or may hereafter be killed or die in the army or service of the country." Also, in the 5th section, 7th line, before the word "wives," insert the word "indigent."

Mr. Brown offered an amendment that the amount should be distributed according to the number of soldiers furnished by each county.

Mr. Foy offered an amendment to the amendment: To strike out all after the word "State," in the 3d section, and insert "according to the following rule: That the county court or a majority of the Justices of each and every county in the State, may meet in term of court during vacation, on any day, at the court house of their respective counties, and appoint a committee of three for each Captain's district in the county, whose duty it shall be to canvass their district and take a true list of the names and number of indigent families in the district, and the number composing each family, and it shall be the duty of said committee or one of their number, at as early a day as practicable, to report the same in writing to the Clerk of the county court, who shall furnish the county Commissioners with a statement of the number of indigents, under the official seal of his office, and the county Commissioners shall furnish the official report so made to the
Treasurer, and draw his portion of the fund hereby appropriated."

"Be it further enacted, That the appropriations hereby made, shall extend to all soldiers' families in indigent circumstances who are in the service or have been in the service or who have died or been disabled by wounds received in the service in this State, or of the Confederate States; Provided, That those counties which are now in the possession of the enemy and no Commissioner can be appointed to receive its quota, the Treasurer shall not withhold the distribution on that account, but shall proceed after receiving a statement of all the Commissioners from the counties not overrun by the enemy, to divide the amount among the counties represented at the Treasury; and Provided further, that it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make diligent enquiry, and satisfy himself fully before the distribution is made, that all the counties not occupied by the enemy are represented."

Which amendment was not agreed to—yeas 32, nays 59.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are:

Those who voted in the negative, are:
Messrs. Allison, Alford, Amis, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Beam, Benbury, Berry, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Burns, Carpenter, Carson, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Flynt, Foust, Fowlie, Gentry, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Chatham, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Hollingsworth, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Jenkins, Keener, Kelly, Kerner, Laws, Love, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank McAden, McCormick, McNeill, McRae, Parks, Patterson, Pearce, Richardson,

The question recurring upon the amendment of Mr. Brown, Mr. Amis called for a division of the question, and the question being shall the House strike out all after the word "according" in the 3rd section; it was decided in the negative. Yeas 33, nays 58.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Benbury withdrew the amendment offered by him in committee and reported by that body.

On motion of Mr. Mann of P., an amendment was agreed to that counties in the East overrun by the enemy should be paid in N. C. Treasury notes, and that they should not be compelled to comply with the provisions as to the meeting of Justices.

Mr. Peebles moved that the House do now adjourn until to-morrow 10 o'clock. Not agreed to.

The bill then passed its third reading,
Received from the Public Treasurer a communication concerning State Finances. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Received from His Excellency, the Governor, by his Private Secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, a message transmitting certain resolutions passed by the Legislature of the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Amis,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate transmitting the message of the Governor, with a proposition to print the same.

The Speaker announced that the following bills had been examined and found correct, and that he had signed and approved the same:

A resolution to correct errors in tax rolls of Burke county;
A bill to amend the 1st, 12th and 23rd sections of the 17th chapter of Acts of 1861;
A bill for the relief of Landlords.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1863.

Mr. Greene presented a petition from citizens of Stanly county for the appointment of a Justice of the Peace. Recommended and transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Love presented the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, Imputations upon the loyalty of the General Assembly of North-Carolina have been current in our own and sister States of the Confederacy, and as the said imputations have been made of undue importance by the notice taken of them, it has become necessary to give them a full and explicit denial; be it therefore

Resolved, That the members of this General Assembly have no hesitation in reiterating their solemn pledges of loyalty and fidelity to the Southern Confederacy. That their firm
confidence in the final success of the present just, necessary and righteous war, remains unshaken, and they pledge themselves as private citizens, as well as Legislators, to pursue this war to any extremity sooner than accept terms short of a full and unconditional independence, political and commercial, of the United States of America. We also emphatically and sincerely disclaim any intention of accepting a peace which would include a reconstruction of the late Union in any form or modification whatever.

Resolved, That the Senate, concurring, the Speaker of each House be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to our Senators and Representatives in Congress that they may present them to that body and thus place on public record this our final and irrevocable determination.

Mr. Grissom offered the following substitute as an amendment:

Whereas, Various slanderous reports have been circulated both in the State and out of it, reflecting upon the loyalty of the members of the Legislature and the people of this State, and ascribing to them hostility to the Confederate Government, and a desire to reconstruct the Union. Therefore, be it unanimously

Resolved, That as the representatives of the people and in our own behalf as individual citizens of the State, we protest against and denounce these accusations as utterly false in letter and in spirit, as calculated to misrepresent the sentiments of those who have never faltered in the support of all constitutional measures for the prosecution of the war, and as tending to produce jealousies and heart-burnings among a people who have sealed their devotion to the cause of Southern Independence with their blood upon the proudest battlefields of the revolution; that the charge of a desire on the part of this Legislature or any portion of it to conflict with the Confederate government, or to embarrass the President in the prosecution of the war is grossly untrue, illiberal and slanderous; that we hereby pledge ourselves most heartily and emphatically to the most vigorous constitutional war
policy, promising in the name of North Carolina the most liberal contribution of men and money to the support of it, and protesting against any settlement of the struggle which does not secure the entire independence of the Confederate States of America.

Mr. Person moved that both resolutions be laid upon the table and be printed. Not agreed to—yeas 36, nays 60.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Amis, the amendment of Mr. Grissom was amended by inserting after the word "Legislature" the words "and the people of the State."

Mr. Fleming moved that both resolutions be postponed until 11 o'clock to-morrow and be printed. Not agreed to—Yeas 50, nays 52.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

The question then recurring upon the substitution of Mr. Grissom's amendment to Mr. Love's resolutions, Mr. Fleming called for a division of the question.

The Speaker stated the question as being: Shall the resolutions of Mr. Love be stricken out after the word "whereas;" and it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 67, nays 27.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Amis, the substitute of Mr. Grissom was amended by adding the following as an additional section:

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to communicate a copy of these resolutions to the Governors of the several States of the Confederacy, and also to our Senators and Representatives in Congress to be laid before their respective bodies.

The question then being upon substituting Mr. Grissom's amendment, it was decided in the affirmative—Yea83, Nays 13.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

When his name was called, Mr. Person asked that he be excused from voting, and the House granted his request.

The question then recurring upon the passage of the resolutions as amended, it was decided in the affirmative—Yeas 82, nays 9.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Pending the announcement of the vote, Mr. Cowles moved that members who were within the bar of the House when their names were called be compelled to vote. Agreed to, and several members recorded their votes.

Mr. Fleming, from the Committee on Internal Improvement, reported H. B. 126, to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company, favorably, with an amendment. Also by the same, adversely, H. B. 178, to surrender to individuals the State's interest in Deep River Navigation Works.
Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions, which were read the first time and passed:

289, a resolution in favor of Mary C. Gally;
290, a resolution in favor of Exr. of Judge Dick;
291, resolution in favor of L. L. Clements;
292, a bill to amend 18th sec. 28th chapter of the Revised Code;
293, a bill concerning State Educational Association;
294, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Pittsboro;
295, a bill to incorporate Vestal's Ford Toll Bridge Company.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting additional nominations for magistrates. Which were agreed to.

Mr. Mann of Hyde, introduced resolution No. 296, in favor of George Credle. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Cowles introduced resolutions as to personal liberty. Read first time, passed and ordered to be printed and made the special order for to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

The Speaker announced that he had approved and signed the following bills and resolutions:

A bill to change the Probate Courts of Rutherford county;
An act to amend an act passed this session of the General Assembly concerning money due deceased soldiers;
An an act to change the term of the County Court of Stokes county;
An act to change the time of holding County Courts of Ashe county;
An act to admit proof of hand-writing of attesting witnesses in certain cases;
A resolution authorizing the Doorkeeper to purchase for the Capitol a flag of the Confederate States;
A resolution as to exchange of salt;
A resolution in favor of Rufus Galloway and his sureties.

The special order was then taken up, it being a resolution, 283, to authorize the Governor to make salt contracts.
Mr. Gentry offered an amendment that the Governor should "advertise for proposals."

Mr. Russ, an amendment to the amendment, that the contracts shall be made by the bushel.

Mr. Cowles desired to amend by inserting after the word "sea-coast" the word or "elsewhere."

On motion of Mr. Cobb, the resolution and amendments were laid on the table.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Kerner.

Mr. Mann presented a list of magistrates for Bertie county.

Mr. Watson desired to add one name to the list from Alamance.

The same being approved.

Ordered, That they be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Watson, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably H. R. 249, in favor of Wm. J. Murray.

Mr. Person, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably H. B. 109, to amend an act entitled Militia Bill, ratified September 20, 1861.

Mr. Stancill introduced a bill 298, to exempt old men from militia duty. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Bryson, a bill 299, to lay off a new county by the name of Hill. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Walser, a bill 300, to authorize Executors and others holding funds in trust to vest the same in Confederate Stocks. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Walser moved to suspend the rules that the bill might be read the second time. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 126, to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company was taken up.

On motion, the House took a recess to 7 o'clock.
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The bill, 126, to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company, was read the second time.

The amendment of the committee was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKay, the bill was further amended by striking out the 2nd section and inserting a substitute.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read the third time, and passed—Yea 60, nay 21.

A call for yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o’clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 28, 1863.

The Speaker announced that he had approved and signed the following bills and resolutions:

An act for the relief of Wm. E. Mann, late sheriff of Pasquotank county;

An act in favor of Thos. J. Carr;

An act to amend the charter of the city of Raleigh;
An act to legalize and confirm the acts and judicial proceedings of a County Court held in Lincoln county;
An act to incorporate Silver Lead Mining Company;
An act to amend the act ratified December 20th, 1862, entitled an act to provide ways and means for supplying the Treasury;
Resolution in favor of John A. Long;
A resolution in favor of John Fisher;
Resolution in favor of M. L. Brittain;
An act to establish a Female Seminary in Davidson county by the name of Beatavilla;
Resolution in favor of W. W. Long;
An act in favor of J. H. Allen;
A resolution in favor of Oscar D. Johnson;
A resolution in reference to a room for Engrossing Clerks;
Resolution in favor of G. B. Threadgill;
Resolution in favor of M. Walker;
An act to incorporate the Unokoa and Hiawassee Turnpike Company;
Resolution in favor of Drury King;
An act to authorize the Governor to employ a messenger in the Executive Department;
Resolution in favor of W. H. Bryson;
Resolution in favor of Charles Byrd;
An act to incorporate the Western North Carolina Mining, Smelting and Copperas Manufacturing Company.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting nominations for magistrates for Chowan county. Which were recommended.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill, 301, supplemental to an act to provide ways and means for supplying the Treasury. Read first time and passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Waddell, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely H. B. 236, concerning emancipation of slaves by will.
Mr. Peebles moved to suspend the rules that the bill might be read the second time. Not agreed to.

Mr. McKay, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably H. B. 287, for the relief of the citizens of Alleghany county.

On motion of Mr. Gentry, the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Peebles, from the Judiciary Company, reported favorably with a substitute, H. B. 241. The rules being suspended, the substitute was agreed to, and the bill as amended passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Waddell, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably H. B. 278, concerning notaries public.

Mr. Watson, from the Committee on Small Pox, reported a bill 302, which was ordered to be printed.

By leave of the House, Mr. Cewles was allowed to record his vote against the passage of the bill to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company.

Mr. Grissom introduced a resolution 303, to authorize the Secretary of State to employ a Clerk. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Bryson, a bill 304, to restore to credit N. G. Howell, of Cherokee. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Company.

Mr. Hooper, a bill 305, to legalize the proceedings of a County Court in Catawba county. Read first time and passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Burns, a bill 306, to amend section 2, chapter 64 of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Costner, H. R. 244, in favor of Daniel Tucker was taken up and passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Grissom, H. B. 14, to regulate the currency between debtor and creditor was taken up, and the House proceeded to consider the same.
On motion of Mr. Walser, the bill was amended by striking out near the end of the 2nd section the words "accrued or."

Mr. Henderson offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to endeavor to have a law enacted making Confederate Treasury notes a legal tender.

Mr. McRae moved to lay the whole matter on the table. Not agreed to—Yea 38, nay 56.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Crawford offered the following as a substitute:

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That all contracts for the payment of money hereafter made shall be construed to be payable in Confederate or North Carolina Treasury notes, unless the contrary shall be made clearly to appear by written agreement between the parties. And in all contracts for the delivery of specific
articles hereafter made, any damages to be recovered for
breach thereof, shall be construed to be payable in Confed-
erate or North Carolina Treasury notes, unless the contrary
shall be made clearly to appear by written agreement between
the parties.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.
The question being on the proposition to strike out all of the
original bill and then insert the amendment of Mr. Crawford
to the amendment of Mr. Henderson, a division of the question
was called for, and the question being shall the House strike
out, it was decided in the affirmative—Yea's 48, nays 46.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of
the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Allison, Amis, Avera, Beam, Benbury, Berry, Best,
Brown, Bryson, Burns, Cobb, Costner, Crawford, Davis, Dunn,
Fleming, Fowle, Gilliam, Grier, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of
Chatham, Hawes, Henderson, Henry of Bertie, Henry of
Henderson, Jenkins, Judkins, Kelly, Kirby, Lemmonds, Long,
Love, Manning, McAden, McKay, Peebles, Person, Reynolds;
Rhodes, Robbins, Robinson, Shepherd Shober, Smith of Wash-
ington, Stancill, Vann, Wallen and Young of Iredell—48.

Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Albritton, Alford, Bernhardt, Barringer, Bizzell,
Bryan, Burgin, Carpenter, Carson, Cowles, Craig, Flynt,
Foust, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Hampton, Harrison, Headen,
Hodges, Hollingsworth, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Joyner,
Keener, Laws, Logan, Mann of Pasquotank, McCormick,
McNeill, McRae, Parks, Patterson, Pearce, Perkins, Richard-
son, Russ, Sherwood, Spruill, Stanford, Waddell, Walser,
Watson, Wellborn and Williams—46.

The special order was then taken up, it being the resolu-
tions concerning personal liberty, introduced by Mr. Cowles.
On motion of Mr. Foy, the following resolutions were ac-
cepted as additional:
Resolved, That the military power is subordinate to, and
governed by the civil authorities; and that the General As-
Assemble hereby requires and directs the Judges of this State who have taken an oath to administer the law to see that the writs of habeas corpus issued by them are executed.

Resolved, That this Legislature hereby request and instruct their Senators and Representatives in Congress to urge, and to procure if possible, a repeal of the law passed authorizing the President to suspend, in his discretion, the writ of habeas corpus.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the second resolution offered by Mr. Foy, and accepted by Mr. Cowles, was stricken out.

The question then recurring upon the passage of the resolutions, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 67, nays 26.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 197, was made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Walser's bill was stricken out.
Pending which motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 29, 1863.

Mr. Love from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported a resolution of instruction concerning the Governor employing slaves on works of Internal Improvement, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Allison from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably, H. B. 299, to lay off a new county by the name of Hill.

Mr. Fleming from the Judiciary Committee, reported, adversely, H. B. 269, to authorize guardians and others holding funds in trust, to invest the same in Confederate Bonds.

Mr. Shepherd presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the special message of His Excellency, the Governor, as relates to the company officers in the troops of this State now in the Confederate States service, and also to amendment of militia law—if the militia shall be used to aid in the execution of the conscription law—be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs; and that so much of the said message as relates to the establishment of a commission for the investigation of charges against citizens arrested by the military authorities and to the power of the Governor to call out the militia during the sessions of the General Assembly, to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Fleming asked that H. B. 151, be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Person from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported, adversely, H. B. 209, a bill to re-organize the militia; also, from the same, a memorial of John A. Cornish, and ask to be discharged from its consideration.

Mr. Lemmonds introduced a bill, No. 307, accompanied by a petition, to allow Jno. A. Carr to run a distillery. Read
first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

The unfinished business was then taken up, it being the motion of Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, to reconsider the vote by which the bill of Mr. Walser was stricken out, and it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 51, nays 44.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded be one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Allison, Amis, Beam, Berry, Best, Brown, Burns, Bynum, Cobb, Crawford, Dunn, Fleming, Fowle, Gilliam, Grissom, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Hawes, Henderson, Henry of Henderson, Ingram, Jenkins, Kelly, Kirby, Lemonds, Long, Manning, McAden, McKay, McRae, Patterson, Person, Reynolds, Riddick, Rhodes, Robbins, Robinson, Shepherd, Shober, Stancill, Vann, Wallace, Watson and Young of Iredell—44.

Pending its further consideration the special order was taken up, it being the bill 197, to amend the chapter of the Revised Code entitled Salaries and Fees.

Mr. Shepherd offered to amend, so as to raise the salaries of the Judges from $1,950 to $2,500.

Mr. Waddell moved to lay the whole matter upon the table; which was not agreed to—yeas 41, nays 58.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:


The question then recurring upon the amendment of Mr. Shepherd, it was not agreed to—Yea 36, nay 62.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Alford, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beam, Berry, Best, Bryson, Bynum, Carpenter; Carson, Cobb, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Crawford, Davenport, Fleming, Flynt, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Headen, Hodges, Hollingsworth,
Mr. McAden moved that the 2nd section of the bill relating to pay of members be stricken out, and it was agreed to—Yea's 91, nay's 6.

Mr. Watson asked for the yeas and nays.

And the call being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Waddell moved to amend by striking out all except that as to the Governor's salary.

Mr. Kirby moved to strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

That the soldiers of North Carolina now in the field or who
may hereafter be called out either in the service of this State or Confederate States, shall receive in addition to the pay now received from the Confederate government, three dollars per month during the continuance of their service, to be paid out of the Treasury of the State.

2nd. That this shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Mr. Fleming moved to postpone indefinitely the bill and amendments. Not agreed to—yeas 22, nays 72.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The question then recurring upon the amendment of Mr. Kirby, Mr. Shepherd asked for a division of the question, and the question being: Shall the House strike out all after the enacting clause, it was decided in the negative.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Brown, Bynum, Crawford, Fleming, Grier, Hodges,
Kirby, Logan, Manning, McKay, Peebles, Person, Reynolds, Rives, Robinson, Stanford, Stancill and Williams—18.

Those who voted in the negative are:

The Speaker stated the question as now recurring upon the amendment of Mr. Waddell.

Mr. Person submitted a point of order, whether the decision of the motion to strike out did not decide the whole question, as far as this reading of the bill was concerned.

The Speaker decided, that in his opinion, the refusal of the House to strike out the whole bill, did not prevent the offering of an amendment proposing to strike out a part of the same.

The question being: Shall the House strike out all except that portion relating to the Governor's salary, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 53, nays 42.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Bernhardt, Beam, Berry, Bizzell, Brown, Bynum, Carson, Cobb, Costner, Cowles, Crawford, Davenport, Fleming, Flynt, Foy, Gentry, Gilliam, Greene, Grier, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henderson, Headen, Hodges, Hollingsworth, Hooper, Howard, Ingram,

Those voted in the negative are:


The bill then passed its second reading—yeas 65, nays 29.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Waddell moved to amend the bill by striking out
“five,” and inserting “four,” as the Governor’s salary. Not agreed to—yeas 43, nays 56.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Shepherd offered an amendment that the salary of the Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, shall be increased to $1,500. Not agreed to—yeas 39, nays 56.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Grissom offered the following as an additional section:

*Be it enacted &c.* That the ordinance of the Convention increasing the salaries of Treasurer, Comptroller and Secretary of State be continued in force to the 1st of January, 1865.

Which was agreed to—Yea 69, nays 25.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Williams offered the following as an additional section:

*Be it further enacted, That each private and non-commis-
sioned officer in the military service of the Confederate States from this State be allowed three dollars per month over and above the pay now allowed by the government of the Confederate States, to be paid out of the Treasury of the State of North Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the Revenue Bill was made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.


To which proposition the House agreed.

Mr. Cowles nominated Neill McKay,
Mr. Grissom " Jno. W. Cameron,
Mr. Carpenter " Wm. L. Twitty,
Mr. Beall " W. W. Lenoir,
Mr. Burgin " Purdie Richardson.

Ordered, That the same be transmitted to the Senate.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting a nomination for magistrate in New Hanover county.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate declines to agree to the proposition to adjourn on Monday next.

Pending Mr. Williams' amendment,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, January 30, 1863.

The Speaker presented an invitation of Willie J. Palmer, Principal of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum, to attend an exhibition of the pupils this evening at 7 o'clock.
On motion of Mr. Sherwood, the House accepted the invitation.


Ordered, That Messrs. Foust and Henderson constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Grier for the remainder of this session.

A number of nominations for Justices of the Peace were recommended and sent to the Senate.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting resolutions affirming our loyalty, &c.

On motion of Mr. Grissom, they were laid on the table.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed resolution:

A resolution to pay certain claims allowed by the Board of Claims. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message stating certain amendments made by the Senate to the bill to allow incorporated towns to lay ad valorem tax on slaves.

To which amendments the House agreed.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate declines to recede from its amendment to the bill concerning Justices in Johnston county.

Whereupon the House receded from its position of disagreement to said amendment and agreed to the same.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to amend "a bill for the benefit of persons who have entered vacant lands,"

To which amendment the House agreed.

The Speaker announced that he had approved and signed the following resolution:

A resolution affirming our loyalty and the loyalty of our citizens to the Southern Confederacy.
The special order was then taken up, it being the Revenue Bill.

Mr. Shepherd presented the bill as revised by the Committee on Finance.

Pending the consideration of which, the hour arrived for the election of Trustees of the University, and the House proceeded to vote for the same.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Harris of Chatham, until Monday.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Hooper for the remainder of the session.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1863.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting an engrossed resolution in favor of Rufus Galloway, Lewis Williamson, Elias Barnes and Reuben King. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was read the second time.


Leave of Absence was granted to Mr. Perkins for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. Walser, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably the bill 284, concerning county site of Mitchell county.

Mr. Costner, from the same, reported adversely a resolution, 303, to allow the Secretary of State a clerk.

Mr. Patterson, from the same, reported adversely H. B. 307, in favor of allowing Jno. A. Carr to run a distillery.

Mr. Fowle presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Propositions and Griev-
ances inquire into the circumstances connected with the contract of the State of North-Carolina with Wm. G. Strickland, and report to this House what damage, if any, he may have sustained thereby.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Parks presented a petition from certain citizens of Burke county, asking that they be attached to Mitchell county. Read, and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Beall presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of granting to the soldiers in the service of the Confederate States from North-Carolina, three dollars per month out of the Public Treasury, and provide for raising a tax to pay the same, and report by bill or otherwise.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Adjutant General be requested to furnish a tabular statement of the number of volunteers and conscripts from each of the several counties of the State, and that the same be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Woodall presented the following resolution:

Whereas, the General in command of the Confederate forces in Eastern North-Carolina has detailed officers and privates of his command to impress teams, wagons and drivers in the county of Johnston, and whereas said officers and privates have impressed all the teams and wagons of some of said citizens, and passed by others without giving them a call, therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Governor be authorized to request the General in command to restore to each citizen (all of whose teams and wagons have been impressed) a part, at least, of his teams and wagons, and make up the deficiency by calling upon those who have not yet been required to furnish any, both in Johnston and the adjacent counties.
Several nominations for magistrates were recommended and transmitted to the Senate.
On motion of Mr. Peebles, H. R. 189, in favor of W. W. Happer was taken up and passed its second and third readings.
On motion of Mr. Sherwood, H. B. 273, in favor of C. A. Boon, sheriff, was taken up and passed its third reading.
Mr. Richardson introduced a bill, 310, in reference to fish in Peedee river. Read first time and passed.
Mr. Burgin, a bill 311, concerning the location of the seat of government. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
Mr. Foy, a bill 312, to authorize the Governor to collect the militia of the State and re-organize the same. Read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.
Mr. Joyner, a bill 313, to amend 5th section of 5th chapter of the Revised Code. Read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
Mr. Patterson, a resolution 314, concerning purchase of arms from Hillsborough Military Academy.
Mr. Hampton, a bill to appoint commissioners to sell the old jail of Wilkes county. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.
Leave of absence was granted Mr. Bizzell for the remainder of the session.
Mr. Foust, from the committee to superintend the election of Trustees of the University, reported as follows:
The whole number of votes cast was 146; necessary to a choice 74.
Hon. J. G. Shepherd received 103 votes; Neill McKay 100; Dr. E. Warren 92; Gen. D. H. Hill 60; Kemp. P. Battle 55; L. F. Siler 54; F. E. Shober 47; Hon. Geo. Davis 47; Maj. Purdie Richardson 44; Mason L. Wiggins 44; Jno. Pool 43; Thomas L. Faison 36; Rev. W. H. Bobbitt 36; J. W. Bryan 35; W. W. Lenoir 34; W. B. Wright 29; John W. Cameron 26; L. C. Edwards 25; Wm. A. Wright 24; C. B. Riddick 23; J. J. Davis 23; W. L. Twitty 23; Hon. J. W.
Osborn 23; Dr. R. L. Beall, 19; David Outlaw 18; Samuel F. Phillips 18; W. J. Montgomery 16; David Barnes 16; E. B. Withers 15; Rev. Alex. Wilson 14; David M. Carter 14; Hon. R. C. Puryear 12; Bryan Grimes 12; W. J. Houston 11; T. J. Wilson 10; T. J. Morrisy 9; Gov. Z. B. Vance 8; Samuel Lander 8; Dr. Charles Skinner 8; Hon. S. J. Person 8; W. W. Peebles 6; Rev. Jarvis Buxton 5; Rev. Thos. E. Skinner 4; Rev. W. P. Taylor 3; William Sloan 1; O. H. Dockery 1; J. M. S. Rogers 1; M. Q. Waddell 1; C. B. Sanders 1; Eugene Grissom 1; A. C. Cowles 1; J. W. Ellis 1; Solomon Williams 1; Hon. Bedford Brown 1; Joseph Cannon 1.

The Hon. J. G. Shepherd, Neill McKay and Dr. E. Warren, having received a majority of all the votes cast are duly elected.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. TAYLOR, } Com. on the part of the Senate.
GILES LEITCH,

L. HENDERSON, } Com. on the part of the House.
J. H. FOUST.

The Revenue Bill was then taken up. On the reading of the 2nd clause of the 1st section, Mr. Person offered the following amendment:

"All slaves (excepting such as the County Court may have exempted or may hereafter exempt from taxation on account of bodily or mental infirmity) and for the purpose of ascertaining the value, the County Court shall appoint three assessors for each Captain’s district, whose duty it shall be within twenty days to assess the value of all the slaves in their district and make return of the lists to the Clerk of the County Court, which list shall set forth each slave and the value thereof, from which list the clerk shall within five days ascertain the average value of the slaves in his county, and transmit a certificate thereof to the Public Treasurer, who, with the assistance of the Comptroller, shall ascertain therefrom the average value of slaves in the State, and shall advertise it in the public newspapers and certify the same to the Clerk of the County Courts within ten days, and the Clerk in making out the tax list shall
add to or deduct from the assessed value of the slaves in his county such per cent as shall be necessary to cause the value as assessed for his county to correspond with the average value throughout the State. And any person failing or neglecting to perform any of the duties herein prescribed, shall, upon motion by the County Attorney in the Superior or County Court, in the name of the State, be amerced in the sum of two hundred dollars, and when any assessors or clerks shall fail to make returns, the Clerk or Treasurer shall ascertain the average from the number of returns made.”

Which amendment was agreed to—Yea 64, nays 27.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative, are:


A number of committee amendments were then agreed to.

Mr. Person moved to strike out the word “banking,” in a committee amendment taxing “money invested in banking, manufacturing, railroads,” &c. Agreed to—yeas 52, nays 38.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Cowles moved to strike out the 6th clause of the 1st section, being the one taxing stock for sale.
Mr. Shepherd stated that the committee also recommended that it be stricken out.
The House refused to strike out.
Mr. McRae moved that the vote just taken be reconsidered. Agreed to—yeas 42, nays 36.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Albritton, Barringer, Berry, Brown, Burns, Crawford, Dunn, Foust, Foy, Gilliam, Glenn, Grissom, Harris of Cabarrus, Harrison, Henderson, Hodges, Jenkins, Lemmonds,
The question then recurring upon the motion to strike out, it was decided in the negative—yeas 32, nays 46.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Robbins offered an amendment proposing to add to 6th clause of 1st section, "and all cotton and tobacco except that which is owned by the producer, or which has been purchased by the owner for his own use or that of his family or dependents, and further except such cotton as may have been purchased by any person or corporation for the purpose of manufacturing."

Which was agreed to—yeas 78, nays 3.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Amis, Bernhardt, Barringer, Beall, Beam, Berry, Best, Brown, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin,

Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Bizzell, Mann of Hyde, and Woodall—3.

Mr. Robbins offered an amendment to the 2nd line of section 4th: Strike out all after the word "corporations" and insert "shall be listed among the individual stockholders in the county where the stockholders reside."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Robbins amendment to section 1st was agreed to. Which motion was not agreed to—Yeas 8, nays 62.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Brown, Harris of Cabarrus, Mann of Hyde, Richardson, Shepherd, Sherwood, Wellborn and Woodall—8.

Those who voted in the negative are:
Stancill, Vann, Waddell, Wallen, Walser, Watson and Young of Iredell—62.

Afternoon Session—Saturday, January 31, 1863. The Revenue Bill was under consideration. A number of committee amendments were read and agreed to.

Mr. McKay offered to amend section 6th, so as to value land every four years and slaves every two years. Not agreed to. On motion, the House took a recess to 7 o'clock.

Night Session—Saturday, January 31, 1863. The Revenue Bill was further considered.

Mr. Brown moved to reconsider the vote by which the House declines to strike out the 6th clause of section 1st. Agreed to—Yeas 38, nays 29.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Gentry moved to strike out the 6th clause of the 1st section of the bill.

Pending which motion, the House adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, February 2, 1863.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting the following engrossed bills and resolutions:

319, a bill in relation to the county site of Mitchell county. Read first time and passed.

320, a bill to alter the rules of law in relation to the probate of wills. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

321, resolution in favor of A. C. Latham, sheriff of Craven county. Read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

322, a bill to provide for the completion of the claim of North Carolina against the Confederate government. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill 323, to secure rights to property owned previous to marriage. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fowle, a resolution 324, in favor of Wm. Thompson. Read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Russ, a bill 325, in relation to the sale of spirituous liquors in the county of Bladen. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Wellborn, a bill 326, to incorporate the Yadkin Valley and Western Railroad Company. Read first time and passed, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Shepherd, by leave, presented a memorial from certain citizens of Randolph county. Read and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Grissom presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be respectfully requested to use their best exertions to
induce that body to raise the pay of privates and non-commissioned officers in the armies of the Confederate States to twenty dollars per month.

Which was agreed to—Yeas 93, nays 0.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


The member elect from the county of Columbus, Mr. Forney George, appeared, presented his credentials and was qualified in accordance with the law.

The Revenue Bill was then considered.

The pending question being the motion of Mr. Gentry to strike out 6th clause of section 1st, the House refused to strike out—yeas 44, nays 45.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bernhardt, Beall, Brown, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Carpenter, Carson, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Fleming Flynt, Gentry, Glenn, Greene, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Henry of Henderson, Hollingsworth, Howard,

And those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Cowles moved to strike out the whole of 13th clause, 52d section.
Which motion was not agreed to—yeas 34, nays 58.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Ordered, That Messrs. Young of Iredell, Manning, Smith
of Washington, Russell of Craven, and Sherwood constitute our part of the committee on Enrolled Bills for this week.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes at 1 o'clock to-day to go into an election of six Trustees for the University.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Wallen and Lemmonds constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

The following gentleman were nominated for Trustees of the University:


The consideration of the Revenue Bill was continued.

Mr. Fleming offered an additional clause as an amendment, taxing excess of production of cotton and tobacco.

Mr. Waddell, an amendment to the amendment that farmers who have heretofore made contracts for the delivery of cotton to cotton factors be excepted. Which was accepted by Mr. Fleming.

The hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, the House proceeded to vote for six Trustees of the University.

Which being over, the House resumed the consideration of the Revenue Bill.

Mr. Fleming's amendment was not agreed to—Yea's 25, nays 60.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

The House then took a recess to half past 3 o'clock.

Afternoon Session—MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1863.
The consideration of the Revenue Bill was resumed.
Mr. Avera offered an amendment taxing all manufacturers who sell at a greater profit than 75 per cent, and all buyers who sell at a higher rate of profit than 25 per cent.
Mr. Person offered as an amendment to the amendment a substitute as follows:
Every person or corporation manufacturing cotton or woolen cloth, or a mixture of both, cotton, yarn, leather, shoes, boots, flour, salt, implements of husbandry, wagons, wagon harness, clothing and iron, and every other person who, as principal or agent for another, carries on the manufacture of any of the foregoing articles; all nett profit above seventy-five per cent upon the cost of production; and every person or corporation who shall buy any flour, wheat, meat, corn, pork, bacon, lard, beef or other article of food to sell again, and all nett profit above ten per cent upon all sales made, and every person who shall buy to sell again any of the articles specified in the former part of the paragraph; all nett profit above 25 per cent upon all sales made.
Which was accepted by Mr. Avera.
Mr. Shepherd moved to strike out all that portion of Mr.
Person's substitute after the word "production." Agreed to—Yea 53, nays 29.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The amendment of Mr. Person, was then agreed to—yeas 80, nays none.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Brunswick, Russell of Craven, Shepherd, Sherwood, Smith of Washington, Stancill, Waddell, Wallen, Watson, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—80.

Mr. Barringer moved to reconsider the vote by which the House rejected his amendment taxing the profits and dividends of manufacturing companies. Agreed to—yeas 77, nays 2.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Avera and Beam—2.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, the vote by which, on Saturday, the House agreed to tax stock in Railroads according to the value expressed in the charter, was reconsidered.

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o’clock.
To which amendments the House agreed.

Mr. Carpenter presented a memorial from citizens of Randolph county, accompanied by a bill 327, to alter the day of public sales in that county. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported concerning the State contract with W. G. Strickland, and recommend that the same be faithfully kept by both parties, and do not deem any legislation necessary.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported the memorial of Jno. Rosemand favorably, with a resolution 331, in his favor, which, the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings. Also favorably H. R. 324, in favor of Wm. Thompson, which, the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings. Also H. R. 188, in favor of W. B. Clements' cavalry company, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Waddell, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a petition of Sally Scott, asking that she be allowed to choose a master and go into slavery, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported a petition of certain citizens of Burke county, and a bill 328, to attach a portion of Burke county to the county of Mitchell. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a resolution of instruction concerning the title of Mary Twett to a grant, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration. Also H. B. 306, favorably, with amendments. Also H. B. 207, favorably. Also H. B. 304, favorably.

Mr. Avera presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Legislature adjourn sine die on Monday, the 9th inst., at 5 o'clock A. M.

Laid over under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Flynt, H. R. 201, in favor of John Martin was taken up, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 281, to incorporate the
town of Dallas, was taken up, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. On motion of Russ, H. R. 182, in favor of the sureties of John S. Willis was taken up, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Foy, H. R. 192, in favor of W. D. Humphrey was taken up, and under a suspension of the rules, passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Waddell, H. R. 190, in favor of L. J. Haughton & N. C. Hooker was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Shepherd offered an amendment, that the injury done the lowland on Cape Fear river in Harnett and Cumberland be also ascertained and paid for.

The further consideration of the resolution was postponed to give place to the special order.

Mr. Waller, from the committee to superintend the election of Trustees reported as follows:

Whole number of votes given 135; necessary to a choice 68. K. P. Battle 71; L. F. Siler 62; D. H. Hill 58; M. L. Wiggins 59; F. E. Shober, 50; Thos. I. Faison 48; Geo. Davis 39; W. M. Bobbitt 35; L. O. Edwards 34; P. Richardson 34; John Pool 32; Thomas Wilson 25; W. W. Lenoir 25; Jas. W. Bryan 18; Samuel Phillips 18; D. Outlaw 17; Wm. J. Houston 17; W. J. Montgomery 17; S. J. Person 12; J. W. Osborne 12; R. C. Puryear 11; W. L. Twitty 10; John W. Cameron 10; E. B. Withers 9; C. B. Sanders 9; D. M. Carter 9; Dr. W. J. Sloan 8; Joseph Keener 8; Dr. Reall 6; D. A. Burns 5; T. J. Morrissey 4; W. A. Wright 3; W. B. Wright 2; W. W. Peebles 2; T. E. Skinner 2; S. S. Biddle 2; P. H. Winston 1; Fleming 1; Richard Smith 1; T. J. Davis 7; J. Buxton 1; C. B. Ridie 1; J. W. Ellis 1; B. Grimes 1; C. Skinner 1.

K. P. Battle having received a majority is duly elected.

JNO. A. YOUNG, 
M. PATTON, 
C. Q. LEMMONDS, 
J. WALLEN, 
{ Senate. 
{ House. 
}
Mr. Kirby introduced a bill, 330, in favor of G. W. Crump-ler. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Russ a bill, 329, in relation to runaway slaves. Read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

The Speaker announced that he had signed and approved the following bills and resolutions:
Resolution in favor of Wm. L. Shannon;
Resolution in favor of Daniel Tucker;
An act to amend an act to empower the town of Wilmington to establish streets, and for other purposes;
An act authorizing one-third of the Justices of the Peace in any county in the State to transact business;
An act to legalize the proceedings of a County Court held in Henderson county;
An act to authorize incorporated towns to lay an additional tax on slaves;
An act for the benefit of persons who have entered vacant lands;
An act for the relief of the citizens of Alleghany county;
An act to amend 46th chapter, 18th section of Revised Code;
An act in favor of Isaac Arledge;
Resolution in favor of George Credle.

The Revenue bill was then taken up, Mr. Robbins' amendment being under consideration.

Mr. Robbins submitted his amendment as follows: "On every dollar of nett profit or dividend, or profit not previously listed, declared, received or due, during the year preceding the first day of April in each year, upon money or capital invested in the manufacturing of cotton or woolen goods, or leather, also upon every dollar of nett profit, or dividend, or money in steamboat companies, whether incorporated or not, and of profit or dividend on Railroad stock, a tax of two per cent."

Mr. McKay moved to strike out "two" and insert "five" per cent. Not agreed to—yeas 33, nays 55.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The question then recurring upon Mr. Robbins amendment, it was agreed to—yeas 82, nays 3.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

of Brunswick, Russell of Craven, Shepherd, Sherwood, Smith of Washington, Stanford, Waddell, Wallen, Watson, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Vance—82.

Those who voted in the negative are:

The consideration of the bill was continued; when its reading by sections had been finished,
Mr. Sherwood moved to amend certain sections so as to tax "Confederate and State Bonds."
Which was agreed to—yeas 43, nays 37.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those voted in the negative are:

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Senate proposes to adjourn sine die at 5 o'clock A. M. on Monday next.
Upon which no action was taken.

The Revenue Bill as amended, was then passed its third reading.

On motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1863.

Mr. Russell introduced a resolution, No. 332, for the relief of J. W. Cromartie. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Burns introduced a resolution, No. 333, in favor of B. P. Dunlap. Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Horton introduced a resolution instructing the committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of raising the pay of the Clerks in the Adjutant General’s office.

Mr. Person, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill, No. 334, to amend an act entitled militia. Read first time, passed, ordered to be printed, and made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o’clock.

Mr. Shober, from the Committee on Education, reported favorably H. B. 271, to incorporate Springfield Literary Society.

The following bills were, under a suspension of the rules, passed their second and third readings:

S. B. 335, to amend an act entitled Militia Bill;
S. B. 293, concerning the State Educational Association;
H. B. 195, for the relief of the sureties of W. W. Profitt;
H. R. 202, in favor of W. W. Grier;
H. R. 205, in favor of A B. Downs;
184, in favor of R. V. Blackstock;
185, in favor of J. R. Davis;
186, in favor of R. V. Blackstock.

Mr. Russell of Brunswick, introduced a bill, 336, in reference to Courts in Brunswick county. Read first time, and the rules being suspended, was passed, its second and third readings.

Mr. Waddell a bill, 337, to extend the charter of the Pittsborough and Haywood Plankroad Company. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message, stating its disagreement to the amendments made by the House to the Revenue bill.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Sen-
ate proposes, at 1 o'clock to-day, to go into an election of five Trustees of the University.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting certain nominations for magistrates for Halifax county.

Which were agreed to.


Ordered, That Messrs. Dunn and Bynum constitute our part of the committee to superintend said election.

Mr. Fowle moved that the rules be suspended, and S. B. 319, in relation to the county site of Mitchell county be taken up.

Which motion was not agreed to—yeas 29, nays 54.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Amis, Avera, Beam, Benbury, Best, Brown, Bryson, Burns, Bynum, Carpenter, Carson, Cobb, Craig, Crawford, Davis, Dunn; Foust, Hampton, Harris of Cabarrus, Harris of Chatham, Hawes, Henderson, Henry of Bertie, Headen, Hodges, Jenkins, Joyner, Judkins, Keener, Kelly, Kirby, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, Manning, McCormick, McKay, McNeill, McRae, Patterson, Peebles, Reynolds, Rives, Robbins, Russ, Shepherd, Sherwood, Smith,
On motion of Mr. Logan, H. B. 101, to charter the Broad River Railroad Company, was taken up and passed its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stancill, the rules were suspended and H. B. 298, to exempt old men from militia duty, was taken up and passed its second reading.

It was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Person, it was amended by striking out the preamble and altering the title of the bill.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Mr. Person from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill, 339, to prevent persons from aiding and encouraging Deserters. Read first time, passed, and ordered to be printed, and made the special order for to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Peebles introduced a resolution, 338, concerning mileage. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. McCormick presented a resolution as follows:

*Resolved,* That hereafter no member shall have leave of absence except by unanimous consent of the House.

Laid over under the rules.

Mr. Headen moved to take up the bill to amend the charter of the town of Pittsborough. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, S. R. 283, to authorize the Governor to make salt contracts, was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Beall moved that it be postponed indefinitely. Agreed to—yeas 52, nays 34.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Amis, Avera, Barringer, Beall, Beam, Berry, Best, Bryan, Burns, Bynum, Carson, Costner, Craig, Crawford, Dunn, Fleming, Fowle, Foy, Gentry, Gilliam,

Those who voted in the negative are:

On motion of Mr. McKay, H. B. 270, to authorize the Governor to issue commissions for holding courts of oyer and terminer, was taken up and after being amended, was passed in second and third readings.

The following bills were approved and signed by the Speaker, having been reported from the committee on Enrolled bills:
A bill to alter the rules of law in relation to Probate of Wills;
Resolution in favor of A. C. Latham;
A bill in favor of C. A. Boon;
Resolution in favor of Jas. M. Neal.
On motion of Mr. Fowle, the rules were suspended, and S. B. 319, was taken up.
The hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, the House proceeded to vote for five Trustees of the University.
Pending the consideration of S. B. 319,
On motion,
The House took a recess to half-past 3 o'clock.

Afternoon Session—Wednesday Feb. 4, 1863.
S. B. 319, concerning county site of Mitchell county was under consideration, and the question being, shall the b
as its third reading, it was decided in the negative—yeas 34, nays 50.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Bynum, from the committee to superintend the elec of Trustees of the University, reported as follows:
that the whole number of votes cast was 132; necessary choice 67.

Of which M. L. Wiggins received 82; L. F. Siler 76; F. Shoer 71; Gen. D. H. Hill 59; Thomas. I. Faison 54; P.lardson 46; Geo. Davis 31; Jno. Pool 25; Wm. H. Bobbitt D. M. Carter 18; S. J. Person 18; W. W. Lenoir 15; J. Cameron 14; David Outlaw 13; L. C. Edwards 12; W. Houston 12; C. H. Wiley 12; Jas. W. Bryan 10; T. J. Von 10; Jas. W. Osborne 6; David A. Barnes 6; Saml'hill 6; W. A. Wright 4; R. L. Beall 4; W. J. Montery 4; W. B. Wright 3; C. B. Sanders 3; E. J. Warren V. W. Peebles 2; Alex. Wilson 2; R. C. Puryear 1; A. owles 1; R. H. Smith 1; C. B. Riddick 1; T. J. Morrisey V. H. Bagley 1; S. J. Neal 1; J. J. Davis 1; Giles
Leitch 1; M. Q. Waddell 1; E. B. Withers 1; Prof. Simmo 1; Col. McAfee 1.

M. L. Wiggins, F. E. Shober and L. F. Siler having received a majority of all the votes cast, are declared elected.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to go immediately into an election of two Trustees of the University. Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate stating that the House insists upon its amendments to the Revenue Bill and proposes a committee of conference on the same.

On motion of Mr. Lemmonds, H. R. 257, in favor of Austin was taken up, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message stating its agreement to the proposition for a committee of conference on the Revenue Bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shepherd, Watson, Person, Alli and Russell of Brunswick, constitute our part of said committee.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 5, 1863.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting resolutions to provide clothing for certain persons confined in Confederate prison at Salisbury, with an amendment.

Mr. Love moved to lay the whole matter on the table. Agreed to—yeas 27, nays 61.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Avera, Bernhardt, Barringer, call, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryan, Bryson, Burgin, Car-
enter, Carson, Craig, Dunn, Flynt, Fowle, Foust, Gentry,
Jenn, Greene, Grissom, Hampton, Harris of Chatham, Hen-
of Bertie, Henry of Henderson, Headen, Hollingsworth,
oward, Horton, Ingram, Jenkins, Joyner, Keener, Kelly,
erner, Laws, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank,
Cormick, McNeill, McRae, Nissen, Parks, Patterson,
addick, Rhodes, Robbins, Russ, Russell of Craven, Sher-
od, Waddell, Wallen, Watson, Woodall, Young of Iredell,
d Young of Yancey—61.
The amendments of the Senate were then agreed to.
Mr. Bynum presented the following resolution:
Resolved, That the members of this House of Commons do
tribute their per diem of one day for the purpose of pur-
asing wood for the indigent families of soldiers of this city,
that a committee of three be appointed to receive and
y the same to the Mayor who shall apply it immediately as
in specified.
Which resolution was agreed to.
Ordered, That Messrs. Harris of Chatham, Grissom and
lliams be the committee.
Mr. Fleming, from the Judiciary Committee reported a bill
to provide for investigation of the charges against citi-
is by the Confederate government. Read first time, passed,
the rules being suspended, was passed its second and
rd readings.
Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and
ances, reported favorably Mr. Woodall's resolution con-
ing the seizure of wagons and teams, and it was passed.
Mr. Burgin, from the committee on Claims, reported favor-
y the following resolutions, and the rules be suspended,
y were passed their second and third readings:
33, resolution in favor of B. I. Dunlap.
332, resolution for the relief of J. W. Cromartie.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting a resolution concerning the sheriff of Stokes, with an amendment to the title.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Committee of Conference upon the Revenue bill, submitted a report.

In which the House concurred.

Mr. Grissom, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported H. B. 286, for the promotion of deserving soldiers, with a substitute. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was read the second time.

Mr. Peebles offered an amendment, as a substitute to the substitute, that the first ten regiments of the N. C. Troops shall have the privilege of electing their own officers. Not agreed to.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

The special order for 11 o'clock was postponed to 1 o'clock and H. B. 339 to punish aiders and abettors of deserters was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Waddell, it was amended by inserting the word "knowingly" before the word "harbor."

Mr. Carson moved that the bill be referred back to committee, with certain instructions. Not agreed to.

Mr. Sherwood moved to strike out the second section which reads as follows:

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That for the purposes of the act, every person called out by virtue of the conscript law of Congress, shall be construed to be in the military service of the Confederate States, from the time at which he may be ordered to report for duty, and until exempted or regularly discharged.

Which motion was agreed to—yeas 48, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Avera, Bernhardt, Baring, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryan, Bryson, Carpenter, Carst

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Person offered the following as section 2nd:

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That any person who shall entice, persuade or tempt any person enrolled and ordered to report for duty as a conscript, to disobey such order, or who shall knowingly aid, assist, harbor or maintain under any pre- vence whatever any such conscript in refusing to obey such order, shall be guilty of a high misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in the Superior Court, shall be fined or imprisoned or both at the discretion of the Court, or in the discretion of the Court may be sentenced to serve in the army of the Confederate States during the war without pay or bounty.

Which was agreed to—yeas 60, nays 26.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs. Allison, Avera, Benbury, Berry, Best, Bryson, Carson, Glenn, Grissom, Henry of Bertie, Howard, Jenkins, Kerner, Lyle, Mann of Pasquotank, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Riddick, Russell of Brunswick, Sherwood, Wallen, Watson, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—26.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, in the first section, the words "or in the discretion of the Court may be sentenced to serve in the army of the Confederate States during the war, without pay or bounty," were stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Fowle, the 3d section of the bill was stricken out.

The bill then passed its second reading.
The bill was then read the third time.
Mr. Cowles moved to insert "at the discretion of the Governor," after the word "States." Agreed to.
The bill then passed—yeas 80, nays 1.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:
sell of Craven, Shepherd, Shoher, Sherwood, Smith of Washington, Stanford, Stancill, Waddell, Wallen, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—81.
Those who voted in the negative are:
Messrs Cowles and Jenkins—2.
Mr. Keener, by leave, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported a bill, 310, concerning PeeDee River, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.
On motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o’clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1863.
Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution, 341, concerning printing the Journals of the House of Commons. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. McCormick presented nominations for magistrates from Harnett county, which were recommended.
Mr. Shoher presented a petition from the salt commissioner of Rowan county. Read and referred to Committee on Propositions and Grievances.
Mr. Russell of Brunswick, introduced a bill, 343, in relation to public roads. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Horton a resolution, 342, in favor of John R. Hodges. Read first time and passed. Read the second time and rejected.
Mr. Person a bill, 344, to incorporate the Branch Monumental Association. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Person a bill, 345, to incorporate the Anderson Monument Association. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Horton a bill, 346, to amend an act concerning the county site of Mitchell county, ratified December 20, 1862. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Horton moved to suspend the rules that the bill be read the second time. Not agreed to.

Mr. Sherwood a bill, 347, to amend the charter of Piedmont Railroad Company. Read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Horton a bill, 348, to repeal the act creating the county of Mitchell, and acts supplementary thereto. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Horton moved to suspend the rules that the bill be read the second time. Not agreed to.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills, which were read the first time and passed:

349, a bill to incorporate the Tuckasegee Mining Company;
350, a bill to authorize the Deacons and Trustees of Sharon Church to sell the parsonage and lands attached;
353, a bill to incorporate the Nantihala Mining Company;
354, a bill to incorporate the Franklin Mining Company;
355, A bill to incorporate the Macon County Mining Company;
356, a bill to re-establish the bounty to soldiers; the rules were suspended, and the bill passed its second and third readings.
352; a bill to incorporate the N. C. Christian Advocate Publishing Company; the rules were suspended, and the bill was passed its second and third readings.
351, a bill authorizing the levying and collecting taxes in the county of Yadkin for the year 1863.

Mr. Cowles moved to suspend the rules.

Mr. Shepherd moved to lay the bill and the motion on the table. Agreed to.

Mr. Fleming from the Judiciary Committee, reported, favorably, H. B. 313, to amend 5th section of the 5th chapter of the Revised Code.
Received from the Senate a message, stating certain amendments made by that body to the bill to amend the charter of the Chatham Railroad Company.

To which amendments the House agreed.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills reported as correct, and the Speaker signed and approved the following bills:

A bill to allow Rufus Galloway and other sheriffs to collect arrears of taxes;

A bill to amend an act entitled "Militia Bill;"

Resolution in favor of Mary C. Gulley;

A bill concerning the State Educational Association;

A bill to incorporate the town of Dallas, in Gaston county;

Resolution in favor of sureties of W. D. Humphrey.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting nominations for magistrates.

Which were recommended.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate refuses to agree to the amendments to the Revenue Bill, and proposes to raise another Committee of Conference.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shephard, Person, Russell of B., Allison and Watson constitute our part of said committee.

Mr. McAden, from the committee to inquire into certain reasons relating to soldiers' bounty, presented a report, which was read.

Moved that it be printed.

Mr. Shepherd moved that it lay on the table until to-morrow. Agreed to—yeas 62, nays 29.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Kirby, Lemmonds, Logan, Love, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank, Manning, McKay, McNeill, McRae, Patterson, Peebles, Person, Reynolds, Richardson, Rives, Rhodes, Robinson, Russ, Shepherd, Shoher, Smith, Stanford, Stancill, Waddell, Wallen and Williams—62.

Those who voted in the negative are:


The special order was then taken up, it being H. B. 334, to amend the law entitled "Militia."

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 197, was made the special order as soon as the Militia Bill shall be disposed of.

Mr. Waddell offered the following as an additional section:

Be it further enacted, That the Governor have power to appoint field officers to command any force raised under the provision of the 5th section that he may think proper and expedient.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Person, the bill was amended by inserting after the word "members" the words and officers."

On motion of Mr. Cobb, an amendment was agreed to exempting one salt commission for each county.

Mr. Ingram offered to amend by striking out "members of the General Assembly and regular Ministers of the Gospel." Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Watson, an amendment was agreed to exempting all persons making "shoes and all other manufactures of leather."

Mr. Avera offered an amendment in addition to other exemptions to exempt "any person who may have four children under ten years of age dependent upon his labors for their support."

Which was agreed to—yeas 63, nays 27.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Dunn moved to exempt all persons who have furnished substitutes in the Confederate States army over 45 years of age. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Manning, the 5th section was amended so that the companies shall consist of as many men and officers as the Governor may determine.

Mr. Foy offered the following as an additional section:

Be it further enacted, That whenever the Governor shall call out a portion of the militia, he shall require each county in the State to furnish its equal portion of troops as near as possible, and should the militia so called out remain in the field a long time the Governor may alternate the services of the companies so as to let the first called out be relieved occasionally by other companies who have not been in service.

Mr. Cowles offered the following as a substitute to Mr. Foy's amendment:

Be it further enacted, That all persons engaged in manu-
facturing or farming, shall be exempted from service under this act.

Mr. Cowles' amendment was not agreed to.

The question then being upon Mr. Foy's amendment it was decided in the negative—yeas 39, nays 52.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Robbins moved to strike out all after the word "newspaper," in the 3d section. Not agreed to.

Mr. Stancill moved to strike out all of the 3d section. Not agreed to.

Mr. Stanford offered an amendment that when called out companies shall serve for only one month, and then be replaced by others not first called out. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shober, an amendment was agreed to exempting the Attorney General and Solicitors.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Kirby moved to reconsider the vote by which the House agreed to Mr. Avera's amendment. Agreed to.
The question then recurring upon Mr. Avera's amendment, it was decided in the negative—yeas 40, nays 52.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The bill was then read the third time.

Mr. Robbins offered his amendment again, to strike out all after the word newspaper in the 3rd section. Not agreed to.

The bill then passed.

On motion the House took a recess to half-past 3 o'clock.

Afternoon Session—FRIDAY, February 6, 1863.

Received from His Excellency, the Governor, by his private secretary, Mr. R. H. Battle, a message concerning the seizure, by the Confederate States government, of iron belonging to the A & N. C. R. R.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,
Ordered, That the message be sent to the Senate with a proposition to raise a joint select committee upon the same.

Received from His Excellency, the Governor, a message transmitting a letter from Adj. Gen. Martin in reply to a resolution of inquiry from the House, as follows:

Adj. Gen's Office, Feb. 6, 1863.
To His Excellency, Z. B. Vance, Governor of N. C.—

Governor: A copy of a resolution adopted by the House of Commons requesting a statement of the number of conscripts and volunteers from each county in the State has been received.

The information desired cannot be correctly furnished from this office, for the reason that only the original muster rolls of companies are filed here, which do not include either conscripts or recruits, of whom a large number have joined the regiments of N. C. troops.

Your obd't serv't,

J. G. Martin,
Adjutant General.

Received from the Public Treasurer a communication, which was read.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,
Ordered, That it be sent to the Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting nominations for magistrates.

Which were recommended.

Several nominations were made for the county of Beaufort.
Also, by Mr. Russell of B., for the county of Brunswick.
Which the House approved.

S. B. 197, was then taken up and considered.

Mr. Shepherd moved to amend, so as to increase the chief Clerk's salary for two years, from January 1, 1863, to $1300. Agreed to.

Mr. Williams' amendment was then considered,
Mr. Harris of Chatham, moved to amend by striking out "three" and inserting "five." Accepted.

The question being upon agreeing to the amendment of Mr. Williams, it was decided in the negative—yeas 26, nays 58.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 302 was made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Also, on his motion, S. B. 322 was made the special order for 12 o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1863.

Mr. Foust, from the select committee on rooms in the Capitol, reported a bill, 357, to authorize certain alterations in the Treasury office. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shepherd, from the committee of conference, submitted a report as follows:
The Committee of Conference between the two Houses of the General Assembly direct me to report an amendment as follows in Section 1, clause 2:

(2) "All the slaves in this State, which slaves (excepting mechanics) are hereby declared to be of the following value: all slaves under five years of age, of the value of one hundred dollars; all between five and ten years of age, of the value of two hundred dollars; all between ten and twenty years of age, of the value of five hundred and fifty dollars; all between twenty and thirty years of age, of the value of seven hundred and fifty dollars; all between the ages of thirty and forty years, of the value of five hundred dollars; all between the ages of forty and sixty years, of the value of two hundred dollars; all slaves over the age of sixty shall be held as a distinct class, of the value of twenty-five dollars. And all the slaves habitually employed in any mechanical trade, shall be valued in classes as follows: all such slaves between the ages of twenty and thirty years, thirteen hundred dollars; all between the ages of thirty and forty years, one thousand dollars; all between the ages of forty and forty-five years, six hundred dollars; all between the ages of forty-five and fifty years, four hundred dollars; all between the ages of fifty and sixty years, two hundred dollars; and after sixty years, at twenty-five dollars—excepting such as the County Courts may have exempted, or may hereafter exempt from taxation, on account of bodily or mental infirmity." Upon all other questions, the amendments heretofore made will stand, except in so far as it may be necessary to change them, in order to meet this last amendment; provided the General Assembly shall adopt it.

J. G. SHEPHERD,
For the Committee.

The question being, shall the House agree to the report of the Conference Committee, it was decided in the negative—yeas 24, nays 65.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


On motion of Mr. Foy,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate informing that body that the House does not concur in the report of the committee of conference upon the Revenue Bill, and proposing that a new committee of conference be appointed to consist of five upon the part of each House, and that the committee be instructed to report a system by which each slave may be taxed according to his value, to be assessed as in case of land, and requesting the agreement of the Senate to the same.

Mr. Foy, from the committee to investigate certain reasons concerning bounty pay to soldiers, submitted a minority report, which was read.

On motion of Mr. McAden, the majority report, submitted by him on yesterday, and the minority report and accompanying documents were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Kirby,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing that the two Houses of this General Assembly do adjourn sine die on Wednesday next, the 11th of February, at 6 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Bryan introduced a resolution 358, to inclose the soldiers' burial ground. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Mann of P., a resolution 359, in favor of T. P. Gregory. Read first time and passed.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, were passed their second and third readings:

Mr. Grissom, a bill 360, to legalize certain disbursements from the Treasury.

Mr. Russell of B., a bill 361, to amend 4th section of 4th chapter of the Revised Code.

Mr. Joyner, by consent of the House, was allowed to record his vote in the affirmative on the passage of H. B. 197, on yesterday.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Cabarrus, H. B. 177, was taken up and passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Manning, H. B. 34, was taken up, and after being on his motion amended, was passed its second and third readings.

The special order was then taken up, it being H. B. 302 for the protection of our citizens against small pox.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the blank as to the sum of money was filled so as to read the sum of $30,000 annually.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, section 4th was stricken out.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the accompanying engrossed bills and resolutions:

363, a bill to incorporate the Dispatch Steamboat Company. Read first time and passed.

362, a resolution in favor of J. W. Freeman. Read first time and passed.

Received from the Senate a message refusing to agree to the message of the House as to the Revenue Bill, and pro-
posing a conference committee of five on the part of each House without instructions.

Which was agreed to.

A motion to postpone indefinitely H. B. 302, was not agreed to—yeas 25, nays 48.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Watson offered an additional section, as section 4, which was agreed to.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

On motion,

The House took a recess to half-past 3 o'clock.

Afternoon Session—Saturday, Feb. 7, 1863.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, S. B. 322, to provide for the completion of the claim of North-Carolina against the Confederate government, was taken up and passed its second and third readings.
The following bills were taken up and passed their second and third readings:

On motion of Mr. Richardson, H. B. 306, to amend section 2d, chapter 64, of Revised Code.

On motion of Mr. Benbury, a bill, 230, to authorize the State Quartermaster to pay commutation money for boots and shoes. Amended by Mr. Costner to include clothing.

On motion of Mr. McCormick, S. B. 363, to incorporate the Dispatch Steamboat Company.

S. B. 195, to amend the charter of the N. C. Powder Manufacturing Company.

On motion of Mr. Shober, S. B. 261, to incorporate the town of Chesnut Hill, in Rowan county.

On motion of Mr. Mann, of Pasquotank, the House went into secret session.

Which being over,

Mr. Grissom moved that a message be sent to the Senate proposing to raise a joint committee of three upon the part of the House and two upon the part of the Senate, to examine into the condition of the Secretary of State's office.

Mr. McKay moved to lay that motion on the table. Not agreed to—yeas 30, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


And those who voted in the negative are:

of Brunswick, Sherwood, Shober, Smith of Washington, Wallen, Wellborn, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—41. 

Ordered, That Messrs. Fowle, Shepherd, Foust, Albritton, and Robbins constitute our part of the committee of conference.

On motion,
The House adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1863.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting nominations for magistrates.

Which were recommended.

Mr. Fowle nominated one for Wake county, who was recommended.

Mr. Fowle, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely H. B. 279, concerning administration on soldiers estates.

Also, adversely H. B. 329, in relation to runaway slaves.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Committee on printing, reported that they had examined the Printing Office of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and that there is not now there sufficient materials to execute the public work, and that the necessary material cannot now be obtained; further, that the Directors and Superintendent of that Institution do not desire the public printing, and that Mr. Palmer's name was used without his consent. Also, that they have acted on the resolution as to alleged frauds in the Public Printing, and that no evidence has come before them, and that they are not able to ascertain in what the fraud consists.

Mr. Allison, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported a resolution, 369, in relation to Rowan county, and asked to be discharged from the same.

Mr. Sherwood presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That hereafter no one be allowed to speak more than ten minutes upon any question.
On motion of Mr. McCormick, amended so as to say "five" instead of "ten."

The rules were suspended and the resolution passed.

Mr. Henry of Henderson, introduced a resolution, 364, to furnish Clerks of Transylvania county with the Revised Code and laws. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, the resolution was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Young of Yancey, it was amended by adding Mitchell county; and

On motion of Mr. Bryson, by adding Clay county.

The bill then passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Fleming introduced a bill, 365, to incorporate the Rhymer Gold Mining Company. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message agreeing to the proposition from the House, to adjourn sine die on Wednesday, at 6 o'clock A.M., and transmitting certain nominations for magistrates.

Which were recommended.

Received from the Senate a message stating its part of the committee of conference on the Revenue Bill.

Received from the Senate a message stating certain amendments made by the Senate to the bill for the relief of wives and families of soldiers.

To which the House agreed.

The unfinished business was then taken up, it being the motion of Mr. Grissom to appoint a committee of investigation on the Secretary of States' department.

Which, being amended, was agreed to.

On motion, the committee of conference was allowed to sit during the sessions of the House.

Ordered, That Messrs. Foust, Patterson, Manning, Jenkins and Brown, constitute our part of Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Received from the Senate a message stating that the Sen-
ate refuses to agree to the amendments of the House to S. B. 217, in relation to salaries and fees.

On motion of Mr. Shoher,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, stating that the House insists upon its amendments, and proposing a committee of conference on S. B. 217, to consist of three from each House.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed resolution in favor of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

Which resolution was read the first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

The following bills and resolutions passed their second and third readings, under a suspension of the rules:

77, a bill to repeal 3rd, 4th and 5th sections of 17th chapter of the Revised Code.

On motion of Mr. Wellborn, 326, a bill to incorporate the Yadkin Valley and Western Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Robinson, 291, a resolution in favor of L. L. Clements.

On motion of Mr. Young of Y., 255, a bill in favor of A. A. Wiseman.

On motion of Mr. Wallen, 256, a bill in favor of H. Hunter.

S. B. 295, to incorporate the Vestal's Ford Toll Bridge Company.

S. B. 282, to enforce and make more effectual an act regulating payment of bounty.

On motion of Mr. Headen, 294, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Pittsborough.

On motion of Mr. Sherwood, 290, a bill in favor of the executrix of the late Judge Dick.

On motion of Mr. Love, 250, a resolution in favor of Wm. Green.

On motion of Mr. Robinson, 134, a resolution in favor of J. G. Carroway.

S. B. 199, concerning insane persons.
On motion of Mr. Hampton, 187, a resolution in favor of E. M. Wellborn
On motion of Mr. Joyner, 313, a bill to amend 5th section of the 5th chapter of the Revised Code.
S. R. 368, to employ additional engrossing clerks.
On motion of Mr. Shober, 109, a bill concerning the statute of limitations.
H. B. 107, concerning distribution of salt to soldiers' families was taken up and rejected.
H. B. 70, for the better regulation of slaves, was taken up and indefinitely postponed.
Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition to raise a joint select committee on seizure of iron by the Confederate Government from the Atlantic & N. C. Railroad. Also, transmitting appointment of magistrates.
Which were recommended.
Ordered, That Messrs. Best, Hanes and Woodall constitute our part of the committee on seizure of iron.
Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate agrees to the proposition for a Committee of Conference on the bill to amend 102d chapter of Revised Code. Also, that the Senate agrees to the proposition to appoint a committee to investigate the condition of the Secretary of State's office, and stating their part of said committee.
Ordered, That Messrs. Shober, Allison and Shepherd constitute our part of the Committee of Conference; and that Messrs. Grissom, Fowle and Love constitute our part of the committee of inquiry into the Secretary's office.
Mr. Grissom moved to rescind the order to adjourn sine die on Wednesday at 6 A. M.
Which motion was laid on the table until 11 o'clock tomorrow.
Mr. Amis presented the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Governor be requested to communicate to this House such information as may be in his possession,
relative to the impressment by the Confederate authorities of the hands and teams in the employment of J. M. Worth, State agent for the manufacture of salt on the coast.

Which was passed.

Bills upon their order on file were then taken up.

H. B. 58, to amend charter of Greenville and French Broad Railroad Company, was considered and made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Received from His Excellency, Governor Vance, by his Private Secretary, a message, in answer to the resolution of Mr. Amis, and transmitting his letter to, and answer from Gen. Smith, who had ordered the teams to be restored.

Mr. Shepherd, from the Committee of Conference, submitted a report; which was read.

In which the House concurred.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting an engrossed resolution in favor of Joseph Marshall.

Which resolution was read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, H. B. 271, to provide for the erection of Iron Works for the manufacture of Railroad and other iron, was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Shepherd presented a number of amendments; which were agreed to.

The question being, shall the bill pass its second reading, it was decided in the negative—yeas 27, nays 39.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative, are:

The House then took a recess to half-past 3 o'clock.

Afternoon Session—Monday, February 9, 1863.

Mr. Brown moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. 271 was rejected. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the bill was amended as to the 1st and 2nd sections, making its provisions apply to certain persons and not open to general application.

The bill then passed its second reading.

A call for the yeas and nays not being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

The bill was read the third time, and the question being shall this bill pass its third reading, it was decided in the affirmative. Yeas 38, nays 27.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Albritton, Bernhardt, Benburry, Berry, Best, Bryan, Bynum, Carpenter, Carson, Cobb, Costner, Flynt, Foy,
Mr. Hawes introduced a resolution, 370, in favor of Rev. Colin Shaw. Read the first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was read the second time and rejected.

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably H. R. 359, in favor of T. P. Gregory. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, was read the second time and rejected.

H. B. 14, a bill in relation to the currency, was laid on the table.

5, a bill concerning extortion was amended by striking out all but the first section, and then it passed its second and third readings.

The following bills were read the second time and laid on the table:

H. 13, a bill to abolish the office of State Geologist;
H. 29, a bill for the relief of the sick and wounded soldiers in the army;
H. 40, resolution in favor of the counties west of the Blue Ridge;
H. 45, a bill to raise ten thousand volunteers for the defence of the State;
H. 46, a bill to stimulate the production of provisions during the war;
H. 49, a bill defining extortion and encouraging honorable speculation;
H. 52, a bill to extend the provisions of the 8th section of 45th chapter of the Revised Code;
H. 53, a bill to define and punish extortion and for other purposes;
H. 54, a bill to suppress extortion;
H. 57, a bill to repeal 1st, 2nd and 3rd sections of the Revised Code, 110th chapter;
H. 64, a bill to encourage the manufacture of cotton and woolen cards;
H. 65, a resolution of instruction to our Representatives in Congress;
H. 73, a bill to regulate prices of articles of prime necessity and of labor;
H. 75, a bill concerning Justices of the Peace;
H. 76, a bill to prevent traffic in spirituous liquors near the General Military Hospital;
H. 79, a resolution concerning the Mints;
H. 80, a bill to amend the 8th section of the 37th chapter of the Revised Code;
H. 85; resolution concerning the conscription act.

On motion of Mr. Amis, the rules were suspended, and H. B. 271, was ordered to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion, the House took a recess to 7 o'clock.

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Evening Session—Monday, February 9, 1863.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bills, which were read first time and passed:

A bill to amend the Revised Code in reference to Habeas Corpus;
A bill to authorize an extra term of Randolph County Court;

The following bills were read the second time and laid on the table:
H. 91, a bill to protect the salt works;
H. 92, a bill to punish horse-stealing;
H. 94, a bill to create a patrol force in each county in the State;
H. 98, a bill to provide additional pay to soldiers;
H. 99, a resolution concerning salt;
H. 100, a bill to exempt officers and soldiers of North-Carolina from poll tax;
H. 102, a resolution to continue in force an ordinance of the Convention to exempt soldiers from poll tax;
H. 107, a resolution in favor of soldiers' families;
H. 113, a bill for the strengthening of the laws already in force for the protection of personal liberty;
H. 132, a bill to incorporate the Daniel's Creek Church in Lincoln county;
136, resolutions of patriotism;
145, a bill concerning public police;
148, a bill concerning extortions;
H. 72, a bill to increase the pay of soldiers in the service of the State, was rejected;
H. 124, a bill for the relief of the families of deceased soldiers, and to provide for a roll of honor, was passed its second and third readings.
H. 138, a bill to provide for holding courts in Hertford county, was passed its second and third readings.
Mr. Grissom moved that the rules be suspended, and S. 374, a bill to amend the Revised Code, relative to habeas corpus, be taken up. Agreed to—yeas 59, nays 23.
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Those who voted in the negative are:
Mr. McKay moved to lay the bill upon the table. Not agreed to—yeas 23, nays 58.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Person offered to amend the 2d section, 9th line, by inserting “and there being no sufficient evidence to detain him.”

Amendment not agreed to—yeas 36, nays 44.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Alford, Barringer, Benbury,
Berry, Best, Burgin, Carpenter, Carson, Cowles, Flynt, Foust, Fowle, Glenn, Grissom, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Hollingsworth, Howard, Horton, Ingram, Jenkins, Kerner, Laws, Lyle, Mann of Pasquotank, McCormick, Nissen, Parks, Patterson, Riddick, Russell of Brunswick, Sherwood, Shober, Wallen, Wellborn, Woodall, Young of Iredell, and Young of Yancey—44.

Mr. Bumpass moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Not agreed to—yeas 23, nays 57.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Person offered to amend the 1st section by adding thereto the words: "Provided that this section shall not apply to any place where the President has, under the act of Congress, suspended the habeas corpus act."

Amendment not agreed to—yeas 28, nays 52.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:
Messrs. Brown, Bumpass, Bynum, Cobb, Costner, Fleming,

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Cobb moved that the House do now adjourn until tomorrow 10 o’clock. Not agreed to—yeas 10, nays 59.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The bill then passed its second reading—yeas 56, nays 23.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The rules being suspended, the bill was passed its third reading.

S. 373, a bill to authorize a special term of the county court of Randolph, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow half-past 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1863.

Mr. Grissom from the committee on the Secretary of State's office, submitted a report accompanied by a bill, 375, to authorize the Secretary of State to employ a Clerk. Read first and passed.

A motion to suspend the rules was not agreed to.

Mr. Headen introduced a resolution, 376, in favor of the Doorkeepers. Read first time, passed, and the rules being suspended, the resolution passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Foust from the committee on Enrolled bills, reported the following bills as having been examined and found cor-
rect, which bills were approved and signed by the Speaker:
A bill to provide for the completion of the claim of North-
Carolina against the Confederate government, and for other
purposes;
Resolution in favor of Jas. W. Freeman;
Resolution in favor of Wilmington & Weldon Railroad
Company;
A bill to incorporate the N. C. Christian Advocate Pub-
lishing Company;
A bill concerning insane persons;
A bill to amend an act passed 1844-'45, to incorporate the
town of Pittsborough in the county of Chatham;
Resolution to employ additional Engrossing Clerks;
Resolution in favor of the executrix of the late Judge
Dick;
A bill to enforce and make more effectual an act ratified
December 22, 1862, regulating the payment of bounty;
A bill to incorporate the Dispatch Steamboat Company;
A resolution in favor of L. L. Clements;
Resolution in favor of Joseph Marshall;
A bill to incorporate the Vestal's Ford Toll Bridge Com-
pany;
A bill to provide for the holding of courts in Hertford
county;
A bill to authorize and require the Quartermaster of the
State to pay commutation money for boots and shoes;
A bill to amend the charter of the N. C. Powder Manufac-
turing Company;
A bill to authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to ad-
minister oaths;
Resolution authorizing the Treasurer to pay certain claims
allowed by the Board of Claims;
A bill in relation to bounty.
Mr. Fowle introduced a resolution, 377, in favor of the
Clerks of the two Houses. Read first time and passed, and
the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third
readings.
Mr. Sherwood moved that the bill 347, to amend the charter of the Piedmont Railroad Company, be taken up. Not agreed to.

Mr. Avera moved that a message be sent to the Senate, proposing to go into an election for two Trustees of the University. Not agreed to.

The following bills were read the second time and laid on the table:

H. 155, resolution in favor of Caldwell county;
H. 156, resolution in favor of R. C. Hargrave, J. S. Small, and R. J. McBride;
H. 157, a bill to re-establish civil suits in the county of Henderson;
H. 176, resolutions guaranteeing North-Carolina's portion of the Confederate debt.

Mr. Person offered the resolution reported by the joint committee as a substitute.

On motion the resolutions and substitute were laid on the table—yeas 44, nays 26.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

The special order was then taken up, it being Mr. Gris-
som’s resolution to rescind the joint order to adjourn sine die on Wednesday, at 6 o’clock. And the question being upon the passage of the resolution, it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 39, nays 31.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Best, from the committee on seizure of iron from the Atlantic & N. C. Railroad, submitted a report accompanied by a resolution, 382, authorizing and requesting the Governor to protest against such seizure.

Mr. Person offered an amendment, that should it appear to the Governor that said iron is necessary for public defence, he shall deliver it to the Confederate States, and take bond that it be delivered in kind or money.

Received from the Senate a message, stating that the Senate proposes to go immediately into an election of two Trustees for the University.

Which proposition was agreed to.

Messrs. P. Richardson and Z. B. Vance were nominated for Trustees.

The House then proceeded to vote.

H. 178, a bill to transfer the State’s interest in the Cape
Fear and Deep River Navigation Company to individuals, was laid on the table.

H. 180, a bill authorizing the Public Treasurer to repay bounty in certain cases, was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleming moved to take from the table H. 46, a bill to stimulate the production of provisions during the war.

Which was not agreed to—yeas 20, nays 42.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill to amend the charter of the town of Asheville, and a resolution to raise a committee of investigation upon matters relating to transportation on Railroads, which was read first time and passed.

The following bills and resolutions, under a suspension of the rules, were passed their second and third readings:

S. 379, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Asheville;
S. 380, a resolution to raise a committee of investigation upon matters relating to transportation on Railroads;
H. 118, a resolution in favor of Capt. W. B. Clement's company of cavalry;
H. 198, a bill concerning the Courts of Pleas and Quarter
Sessions of Franklin county—amended, on motion of Mr. Bernhardt, by adding Caldwell county;

H. 207, a bill to prevent slaves from making or trading in spirituous liquors.

The following bills were read the second time and laid on the table:

H. 180, a resolution in favor L. J. Haughton and J. C. Hooker;

S. 196, a bill to prevent harboring deserters and prevent resisting their arrests;

H. 209, a bill to reorganize the militia;

H. 211, a resolution to continue the Board of Claims;

H. 212, a bill concerning unlawful entry and detainer;

H. 304, a bill to amend the 8th section of 83rd chapter of the Revised Code was rejected;

H. 58, a bill to amend the charter of the Greenville and French Broad Railroad Company was considered, and the question being, shall this bill pass its third reading, it was decided in the negative—yeas 15, nays 56.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from the Senate a message transmitting a bill to
amend the act to prevent the distillation of spirituous liquors, which was read first time, passed, and under a suspension of the rules, was passed its second and third readings.

The resolution, 382, concerning seizure of iron belonging to the Atlantic & N. C. Railroad, was then considered.

The question being upon agreeing to Mr. Person’s amendment, the vote was yeas 24, nays 26.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


It appearing that there was not a quorum voting,

On motion of Mr. Shepherd,

The House took a recess to half-past 3 o’clock.

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Afternoon Session—Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1863.

At 4 o’clock the Speaker ordered the roll to be called to ascertain if there was a quorum present.

The following members answered to their names:


Mr. Shepherd stated that Messrs. Henry of Henderson, Robbins and Keener were absent on duty, as members of the Committee on Finance.

There appearing not to be a quorum present,

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank moved that there be a call of the House. Agreed to.

The Clerk then proceeded to call the roll, and the following members answered to their names:


It appearing that a quorum was present,

On motion of Mr. Fleming, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The House refused to grant leave of absence to Messrs. Cobb and Harris of Chatham.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to Messrs. Kerner and Amis.

Mr. Sherwood stated that his Colleague, Mr. Smith, was and had for some time, been unavoidably detained at home by sickness.

The unfinished business was then taken up, it being the resolution, 382, concerning seizure of iron.
Mr. Waddell offered an amendment to the amendment, to strike out and insert that the iron shall be used for the Chatham Railroad. Not agreed to.

The question then being, shall the House agree to the amendment of Mr. Person, it was decided in the negative—yeas 19, nays 42.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The resolutions then passed.

The following bills were read the second time and laid on the table:

S. 223, a bill continuing in force 1st section of an ordinance concerning collection of taxes in certain counties passed 4th session of the Convention;

S. 229, a bill to change the term of the Adjutant General and for other purposes;

H. 231, a bill relating to vacancies occurring in the office of Adjutant General;

H. 233, a bill to stop interest on debts when Confederate notes are tendered and refused;

H. 236, a bill concerning emancipation of slaves by will;

H. 254, a bill concerning Justices of the Peace of Alexander county;
H. 266, a bill in favor of Percy Ann Norton, a free person of color;
H. 284, a bill to repeal an act relative to the county site of Mitchell county, passed this session of General Assembly;
H. 299, a bill to lay off a new county by the name of Lee;
H. 300, a bill to authorize executors and others holding funds in trust to vest the same in Confederate stocks;
H. 304, a bill to restore to credit N. G. Howell of Cherokee;
H. 307, a bill to allow John A. Carr to run a distillery;
H. 310, a bill in relation to fish in Pee Dee river;
H. 314, a resolution concerning the purchase of arms from the Hillsborough Military Academy;
H. 317, a bill in favor of Hector McNeill;
H. 323, a bill to secure rights to property owned previous to marriage;
H. 328, a bill to attach a part of Burke to Mitchell county;
H. 346, a bill to amend an act concerning the county site of Mitchell county, ratified December 20, 1862;
H. 348, a bill to repeal the act creating the county of Mitchell.

The following bills and resolutions were read and passed their second and third readings:
259, a bill to incorporate the Orphan's Educational Board;
H. 277, a resolution in favor of Jos. D. Hayes;
H. 278, a bill concerning notaries public;
H. 292, a bill to amend the 18th section 28th chapter of the Revised Code;
H. 316, a bill regulating the service of process on the Southern Express Company;
H. 325, a bill in relation to the sale of spirituous liquors in Bladen county;
H. 349, a bill to incorporate the Tuckasegee Mining Company;
H. 353, a bill to incorporate the Nantihala Mining Company;
H. 354, a bill to incorporate the Franklin Mining and Manufacturing Company;
H. 355, a bill to incorporate the Macon County Mining Company.

Received from the Senate a message stating the refusal of that body to agree to the proposition to rescind the joint resolution to adjourn on Wednesday next at 6 o'clock, A. M.

Received from the Senate a message stating a proposition from that body to rescind the order to adjourn on Wednesday next, and to substitute therefor Thursday at 4 o'clock P. M.

Which proposition was agreed to.

H. 252, a bill to change the time for meeting of the General Assembly, was read the second time.

Mr. Sherwood offered H. 253, as a substitute. Not agreed to.

The bill was then rejected.

H. 269, was read the second time, it being a bill to allow guardians and others to invest in Confederate bonds.

Mr. Fleming offered an amendment, which was accepted by Mr. Shober, the author of the bill.

The question being, shall the bill pass, it was decided in the negative. Yeas 24, nays 38.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


H. 272, a bill for the benefit of those who have overpaid or who may hereafter overpay taxes, was read the second time.
On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the second section, relating to turning the Clerk of the court out of office, was stricken out.

H. 351, a bill to authorize the levying and collecting of taxes in the county of Yadkin, for the year 1863, not levied at the proper time, was laid on the table.

Mr. Cobb from the committee to superintend the election of Trustees of the University, submitted a report as follows:

Whole number of votes cast 111, necessary to a choice 56, of which T. A. Allison received 49; Gen. D. H. Hill 41; Thos. I. Faison 36; Purdie Richardson 35; John Pool 22; Z. B. Vance 20; George Davis 17, W. W. Lenoir 6; W. A. Wright 2; S. F. Phillips 2; L. C. Edwards 1; J. J. Davis 1; W. J. Montgomery 1; W. J. Houston 1; S. J. Person 1.

No one having received a sufficient number of votes there is no election.

On motion,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1863.

A number of nominations for magistrates were made, and the same recommended by the House.

Received from the Senate a message proposing to rescind the joint order to adjourn on to-morrow at 4 o'clock, and substitute therefor 3 o'clock, P. M., of to-day.

Which message was laid on the table.

Received from the Senate a message agreeing to the amendments made by the House to raise a committee to investigate the affairs of the Railroads.

Mr. Watson presented a resolution protesting against the impressment of meat, provisions and forage, by military authorities, in Caswell county.

Which was passed—yeas 54, nays 12.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present.
Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the negative are:

Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution, 383, in favor of the Engrossing Clerks. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Shepherd a bill, 384, supplementary to the act entitled "Revenue." Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Person from the Judiciary Committee, reported, adversely, H. 366, a bill to compel free persons of color to serve in the army as cooks.

The bill was read the second time and laid on the table.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the following engrossed bill and resolution, which were, under a suspension of the rules, passed their second and third readings:

A bill to amend an act entitled "Militia," passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

Resolution directing the Secretary of State to have printed certain ordinances of the Convention in connection with the laws.

Mr. Shepherd from the Committee on Printing, reported the claim of West & Johnston, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommend that they present the same to the Auditor.
Mr. Kelly from the Library Committee, reported that the Library was neatly kept.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting an engrossed bill 389, to amend the act concerning the county site of Mitchell county. Read first time and passed.

Mr. Horton moved to suspend the rules, that it be read the second time. Not agreed to—yeas 31, nays 30.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Received from the Senate a message transmitting the H. B. to insure protection of the people of North Carolina against small pox, with certain amendments made thereto by that body.

Which was agreed to—yeas 44, nays 22.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allison, Albritton, Avera, Berry, Best, Bryan, Bryson, Bumpass, Burgin, Carpenter, Cowles, Duke, Dunn, Foust, Fowle, Gentry, Grissom, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henry of Bertie, Headen, Ingram, Jenkins, Keener, Laws, Love, Lyle, Mann of Hyde, Mann of Pasquotank, Manning,

Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Russell of Brunswick, introduced a resolution in favor of Rufus Galloway. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

Received from the Senate a message, transmitting a resolution, 387, instructing the Adjutant General to correspond with the Adjutant General and Governor of Virginia relative to arms furnished that State; which was read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

H. 251, a bill by which free persons of color may enslave themselves, was read the second time, and laid on the table.

H. 151, a bill to limit the production of cotton and tobacco, was read the second time.

A motion that the bill be laid on the table was agreed to—yeas 41, nays 24.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Bernhardt, Berry, Brown, Bryan, Cowles, Craw-

The following bills were read the second time, and laid on the table:

H. 310, a bill in reference to fish in Pedee river;
H. 163, a bill for an extra term of the Superior Court in Duplin county;
H. 329, a bill in relation to runaway slaves;
H. 373, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to employ a Clerk.
S. 389, a bill to amend the act in relation to a county site of Mitchell county, was taken up, it being the last and only bill on file.

Mr. Young of Yancey, moved that it be laid on the table; which motion was not agreed to—yeas 24, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Mr. Lyle moved to strike out "four," and insert "eight," miles. Not agreed to.

Mr. Henry of Bertie, moved to amend by striking out "four," and inserting "six" miles.
Mr. Fowle called for a division of the question, and the question being, shall the House strike out "four," it was decided in the negative.

A call for the yeas and nays was not seconded by one-fifth of the members present.

Mr. Mann moved to amend by inserting after "four miles," the words "and if a suitable site be not obtained within four miles, they may locate the same within eight miles."

The question being upon agreeing to this amendment, it was decided in the negative—yeas 25, nays 41.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Henry of Bertie, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Not agreed to—yeas 19, nays 43.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


And those who voted in the negative are:
The bill then passed its second reading—yeas 39, nays 26;  
A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


Mr. Mann of P., moved that the House adjourn. Not agreed to.

Mr. Horton moved to suspend the rules, that the bill be read the third time. Not agreed to—yeas 42, nays 20.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Albritton, Bernhardt, Beall, Berry, Brown, Bryan, Burgin, Bynum, Crawford, Flynt, Foust, Fowle, Foy, Gentry, Glenn, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henry of Henderson, Hollingsworth, Horton, Jenkins, Judkins, Keener, Kelly,

Those who voted in the negative are:


The bill was read the third time.

Mr. Mann of Pasquotank, moved to lay it upon the table. Not agreed to—yeas 22, nays 40.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:


Those who voted in the negative are:


The bill then passed its third reading—yeas 45, nays 21.

A call for the yeas and nays being seconded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Albritton, Bernhardt, Beall, Benbury, Berry, Brown, Burgin, Bynum, Crawford, Flynt, Foust, Fowle, Gentry, Glenn, Harris of Chatham, Harrison, Henry of Henderson, Hollingsworth, Horton, Jenkins, Keener, Kelly,


Mr. Burgin, by leave, introduced a resolution 390, in favor of James McKimmon and A. Creech. Read first time and passed, and the rules being suspended, was passed its second and third readings.

On motion, the House took a recess to half past 7 o'clock.

Night Session—Wednesday, February 11, 1863.

Mr. Shepherd submitted a final report from the Committee on Finance upon the condition of the Comptroller's office. Read and sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That Messrs. Robbins and McAden, take the place of absent members upon the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following enrolled bills, reported from the committee as having been examined and found correct, were approved and signed by the Speaker:

An act to incorporate the Macon County Mining Company;
An act to incorporate the Franklin Mining and Manufacturing Company;
An act to incorporate the Nantihala Mining Company;
An act to incorporate the Tuckasege Mining Company;
An act to authorize the deacons and trustees of Sharon Church to sell the parsonage and lands attached belonging to that Church;
An act regulating service of process on the Southern Express Company;
An act to amend 4th section of the 4th chapter of the Revised Code;

Resolution requesting the Adjutant General of North Carolina to correspond with the Adjutant General of Virginia relative to arms furnished that State;

An act to amend an act to prohibit the distillation of spirituous liquors;

An act to amend an act entitled "Militia," passed at the present session of the General Assembly;

An act concerning Extortion;

An act concerning sheriffs and their sureties.

Received from the Senate a message transmitting the bill supplemental to an act entitled "Revenue," with certain amendments made in that body.

To which amendments the House agreed.

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1862.

On motion,

The House took a recess to 3 o'clock.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION, FEB. 12, 1863.

Mr. McKay presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Hon. Rich'd S. Donnell, the Speaker thereof, for the able, dignified and impartial manner with which he has presided over its deliberations during the present session.

Which was unanimously passed.

Mr. Grissom presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby tendered to Wm. E. Mann, of Pasquotank, for the satisfactory and impartial manner in which he discharged the
duties of Speaker, *pro tem.*, during the illness of Hon. R. S. Donnell.

Which was passed.

Received from the Senate a message stating the readiness of that body to adjourn *sine die*.

A message was sent to the Senate stating that the House of Commons had finished *all* the business before it, and would now adjourn.

The Speaker then declared that the House of Commons did now stand adjourned *sine die*. 
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