

The Western Democrat. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

A NEW GOVERNMENT FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.

In the House, Mr Stevens introduced a bill to establish civil government in North Carolina...

The second section provides that all male resident citizens twenty-one years of age, without distinction of color...

The third section, prescribes qualification for delegates to the Convention to be the same as for members of the House of Commons...

Section fourth, the Judge administering the oath, if he suspects falsehood may require other evidence...

Section fifth provides for opening of polls by United States Marshal...

Section sixth provides compensation for Marshal.

Section seventh declares the present government void and the functions of all State officers at an end.

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THE SOUTHERN DELEGATION.

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The Southern Republican Association met this evening at their rooms on F street...

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N. C. LEGISLATURE.

[For Monday's proceedings see first page.]

TUESDAY, Dec. 11.

SENATE.—The Speaker announced the ratification of a bill to extend the time for collecting taxes in certain counties.

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REPORTED A BILL IN FAVOR OF BUILDING A PENITENTIARY.

TUESDAY, Dec. 13.

SENATE.—Mr Johnson, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred a bill to encourage immigration, recommended that it do not pass.

The Senate concurred in the original report of the Committee to adjourn on the 24th of December to meet again on the 22d of January next.

The Howard Amendment.—The hour for the special order having arrived, the report from the Joint Select committee on the Howard Amendment was taken up.

Mr Leach introduced the House in favor of the resolution to reject the Amendment.

Mr Harris of Rutherford, moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "not."

The amendment was lost by a vote of nays 43, yeas 1. Mr Harris alone voting for his amendment.

The question arising on the adoption of the resolution, the yeas and nays were called, and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS.—Messrs Adams, Avery, Battle, Barnes, Berry, Brown, Clark, Covington, Cowles, Cunningham, Edwards, Etheridge, Ferree, Gash, Hall, Hand, Harris of Franklin, Hill, Johnston, Jones, Kelly, Koonce, Leach, Love, Lloyd, Marshall, McCorkle, McLean, McRae, Moore, Paschal, Perkins, Reppas, Richardson, Robins, Sneed, Spred, Spenser, Thompson, Thornton, Wiggins, Wiley, Williams and Wilson—44.

HOUSE.—Mr Harper introduced a resolution to postpone the valuation of the lands of the State.

Mr Harper moved a suspension of the rules that the resolution might have its second reading.

Mr Harper thought that a valuation of the lands in 1867, as required by law, would be inexpedient owing to the unsettled condition of the labor system...

The valuation of 1860 was generally deemed a fair one, and if a re-valuation in the assessed value of lands, which would necessitate heavier taxation.

Mr Hodnett hoped the resolution would not pass. Its passage would be unjust to the tobacco raising counties of the State.

Mr Latham of Washington, opposed the resolution, and adverted to the diminished value of lands in the Eastern part of the State...

Mr Cowan thought the resolution a good one. A certain amount of Revenue must be raised in any event, and it was useless to incur the expense of a re-assessment.

Mr Patton favored the resolution for like reasons. The rules were suspended and the resolution passed its several readings.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting correspondence with the Military authorities, in relation to the Military order suspending the infliction of corporal punishment by the courts of the State.

On motion of Mr Cowan this correspondence was sent to the Senate, with the following resolution, in which the concurrence of that body was asked:

Resolved, That three Commissioners be sent to Washington City to inquire into the alleged necessity for the order, with a view to remove such necessity, if any actually exists...

STAMP DUTIES.

The commissioner of internal revenue has just issued a pamphlet containing a schedule of stamp duties which took effect on August 1, 1866...

In all cases where an adhesive stamp is used for denoting the stamp duty on an instrument, the person using or affixing the same must write or imprint thereupon in ink the initials of his name, and the date on which the same is attached or used.

All cancellation must be distinct and legible, and except in the case of proprietary stamps from private dies, no method of cancellation which differs from that above described will be recognized as legal and sufficient.

A penalty of fifty dollars is imposed upon every person who makes, signs, or issues, or who causes to be made, signed, or issued, any paper of any kind or description whatever, or who accepts, negotiates, or pays, or causes to be accepted, negotiated, or paid, any bill of exchange, draft or order, or promissory note...

A penalty of two hundred dollars is imposed upon every person who pays, negotiates, or offers in payment, or receives or takes in payment, any bill of exchange or order for the payment of any sum of money, drawn or purporting to be drawn in a foreign country...

A penalty of \$50 is imposed upon every person who fraudulently makes use of an adhesive stamp to denote the duty required by the revenue act, without effectually cancelling and obliterating the same in the manner required by law.

It is not lawful to record any instrument, document, or paper required by law to be stamped, or on the copy thereof, unless a stamp or stamps of the proper amount have been affixed and cancelled in the manner required by law...

A most shocking disaster occurred on the Chesapeake Bay on board the steamer Kelo, one of the regular bay boats, on Saturday morning 8th inst.

The Kelo left her wharf on Friday evening at Baltimore. Nothing occurred out of the way until she reached the vicinity of the Wolf Trap Light Boat...

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FROM MEXICO.

The following news from Mexico is via New York, Dec 12th:

Maximilian has decided not to abandon the Empire, and a proclamation communicating the said fact had appeared.

The Susquehanna has arrived at Sacramento from Vera Cruz. The Vera Cruz Journal attributes to Sherman and Campbell's arrival the determination of Maximilian to remain, and thus call upon the Mexicans to prevent the absorption of the country with the United States.

Pinzon and Valdez attacked Seacaburo, according to Cronists, with twelve hundred men and four pieces of artillery, but were repulsed by the garrison, although it consisted of only four hundred Liberals.

They retreated to Hileaneago and made three distinct attacks at Taleango, demanding its surrender. The garrison which consists of eight hundred Belgians and four hundred Mexicans repulsed every attack.

THE TRUTH. We are now receiving a new Stock of all kinds of Goods, and in addition to our large Stock we will be receiving goods all this week.

Call and examine our Stock. We are Mecklenburg Boys, and will give you to understand that we will sell, and dont intend to be run out by any one. Come, save your money, and invest it where it will do you some good.

Something New and Attractive. PRICES GREATLY REDUCED. McLEOD & STEELE. Have just received another addition to their stock of WINTER GOODS...

Ladies' and Misses' Cloaks. Breakfast Shawls, Hoods, Nubias, Embroideries, Real Cheney Lace Collars and Sets, Plain and Embroidered Linnen Sets...

FOR RENT. A desirable Residence, located in the business portion of the city, suitable for either a Dwelling or Boarding House.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES. CAN A MAN JUSTIFY HIMSELF IN NEGLECTING THIS VERY IMPORTANT DUTY?

Travelers' Accidental Insurance Company of Hartford, and represent some of the safest FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES in the United States.

Dissolution of Co-partnership. The Co partnership heretofore existing under the style of GROUT & LONERGAN is by mutual consent this day dissolved.

VALUABLE PROPERTY For Sale and Rent. On Tuesday, the 18th day of December, I will sell at my residence, four miles South of Charlotte...

Notice. All persons owing me Accounts, made during and since the war, are hereby notified that if they will come forward and give their Notes they shall have fifteen months credit.

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