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Rev. A. G. STACY, A. M., President,
Assisted by accomplished instructors in all the Departments.
The buildings and grounds known as the N. C. Military Institute, located in Charlotte, having been secured for a term of years for the purpose of a Female College, the institution will be opened as usual January 23rd, 1867.

The first School year will be of irregular duration. It will comprise one long Session of Twenty-six weeks.
This Session, or scholastic year, will be divided into two Terms of Thirteen weeks each.

Rates per Term, payable in advance in lawful currency of the United States:

Board with Lights,	\$60 00
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Music on Piano or Guitar, 22 Lessons,	\$20 00
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Painting, Drawing, Embroidery, etc., at fair rates.	

Books will be furnished on request, pillow-cases, towels, table-napkins, and counterpane.

The standard of Scholarship will be high, and the instruction thorough.
The building is eligibly situated with more than twenty acres of land attached, the premises being delightfully adorned with native oaks. Ample means of exercise and recreation will be thus afforded. For Circular apply to

A. G. STACY,
Charlotte, N. C.
Dec 17, 1866

VANCE & DOWD,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
Charlotte, N. C.,
Having associated themselves together, will practice in the Courts of Mecklenburg, Iredell, Catawba, Cabarrus, and Union, and in the Federal and Supreme Courts.
Claims collected anywhere in the State.
April 2, 1866

Tailoring.
JOHN VOGEL,
PRACTICAL TAILOR,
Respectfully informs the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country, that he is prepared to manufacture gentlemen's clothing in the latest style and at short notice. His best exertions will be given to render satisfaction to those who patronize him. Shop opposite Kerr's Hotel, next door to Brown & Stitt's store.
January 1, 1866.

REMOVED.
We take this method of informing our friends and the public, that we have moved to the large and commodious Store Room formerly occupied by K. H. WELLS & CO., where we will continue to carry on the General Mercantile Business in all its various branches, and would respectfully call attention to our variety and styles of Goods, unsurpassed by any other House in the State, which we offer at exceedingly low prices.

CLOAKS! CLOAKS!
French black and colored Cloth Saques, Basques and Circulars, Silk Saques and Basques.

RICH DRESS GOODS.
We have now in store one of the largest Stocks of fine Dress Goods ever offered in Charlotte. Our Stock consists in part of all Wool Delaines, Empecc Cloths, Poplins, Poplinettes, Alpaccas, Lustres, together with a general assortment of all the low priced Domestic, Delaines, Prints, &c., &c.

GLOVES AND HOSIERY.
Best Kid Gloves in all colors, Ladies' fleeced lined Silk, Lisle, Bull and Woolen Gloves, Merino Gloves. Superior English Hosiery for Ladies' and Misses', all of which are equal to any ever offered in this city.

WHITE GOODS.
Of every description. Table Cloths and Table Linens, Towels, Toweling, Knives, &c., &c.

CLOTHING.
Of every description. Frocks and Sack Coats, Cassimere Suits, Coats, Pants and Vests, and a complete line of

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.
Boots, Shoes and Hats, all of which we offer at unusually low prices at Wholesale and Retail.

NEW AND CHOICE GOODS.
Of every description received every week, and sold at prices warranted to prove satisfactory purchasers. We take great pleasure in showing our Goods to those who will favor us with a call.

A. WELLS & CO.,
Kahnweiler & Bro's Old Stand, Trade St.

NOTICE.
We take pleasure in announcing to the Ladies that we will attach our House early in the Spring, a first-class French Millinery Establishment, of which due notice will be given.
A. WELLS & CO.,
Nov 26, 1866.

"The Love Bird."
SONG for the Piano, by Fannie Downing, just received at the new Book Store.
Also, GODEY'S LADIES BOOK for February, at the new Book Store.
J. P. TIDDY & BRO.

Next Door to the Court House.
FRESH GROCERIES—FEB. 1st, 1867.
Just received an elegant article of Mecklenburg, C. Coffee Sugar, Crushed Sugar, Rio Coffee, Tea, Candles, Soap, Starch, Pepper, Ginger, Spice, Soda, Table Salt, Mustard, Ginger Preserves, Sausage, Tobacco, &c., &c.
Also, a good assortment of Dry Goods, Crockery, Hardware and Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Wood and Willow Ware, &c., &c.
Store under Baumgarten's Photograph Gallery, newly established.
JAMES HARTY & CO.
Charlotte, N. C., Feb 4, 1867.

A CONFEDERATE BILL IN AN ODD PLACE.
—At one of the colored churches in Motile, the minister, having finished his sermon, announced that a collection would be taken up for missionary purposes. The "sasser" was accordingly sent round. When it came back to the pulpit, the preacher proceeded to count the amount received, and among the fractional currency he discovered a ten dollar Confederate bill. He looked at it for some time with evident disgust, and then took a calm look at his congregation over the top of his spectacles. Then clapping the unrecruited bill upon the open bible with indignant emphasis, he exclaimed: "Brother-in-law, put this bill right dar on de bible and let the Lord take care of dat man!"

GIFT ENTERPRISE SWINDLE.—The Providence Journal reports that a gift enterprise firm has disappeared from Westley, Rhode Island, with something like one hundred thousand dollars forwarded by deluded people in anticipation of a grand distribution of prizes.

GARDEN SEEDS.
Just received at the Corner Drug Store, a large and fine assortment of
Buist's Genuine Garden Seeds,
Consisting of every variety grown in this climate.
Warranted Good and Reliable.
For sale, Wholesale and Retail by
J. H. MEADEN.
Feb 4, 1867.

Planting Potatoes.
20 BARRELS NORTHERN IRISH POTATOES, expected daily, for sale at the Corner Drug Store, Feb 4, 1867. J. H. MEADEN.

FERTILIZERS.
HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND INSURANCE AGENTS.
To all persons expecting to use Fertilizers this Spring, we would advise them to procure it at once. We now have in Store, Soluble Pacific Guano, Peruvian Guano, Ground Bone, Baugh's Raw Bone Phosphate of Lime.
Mr. A. B. Springs' Certificate on Pacific Guano should commend itself to every farmer in this section.
We feel assured our sales will be greatly increased this Spring, and recommend the purchasing of it at an early day.

Corn, Seed Oats, Clover Seed, Flour,
&c., &c., constantly on hand.
Consignments solicited by
HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO.
Feb 11, 1867.

**NEW FIRM
AND ALL NEW GOODS.**
NESBIT & MAXWELL
Are now opening in the David Parks Store House, on Tryon Street, a complete assortment of CONFECTIONERIES, GROCERIES and NOTIONS, and we invite the public to call and see our stock, it having been purchased by one of the firm in New York, with great care. Having had considerable experience in business, we feel assured that we will be able to give satisfaction to all, and hope, by strict attention to business, to merit a liberal share of public patronage. Our stock consists in part of Rio and Java Coffee, Cheese, Tea, Crushed, Powdered and Brown Sugar, Molasses, Soda, Pepper, Spice, Soap, Cloves, Cinnamon, Nutmegs, Ginger, Candles, Powder, Shot, Caps, Chewing and Smoking Tobacco, Lorillard's Snuff, Matches, Shoe Blacking and Brushes.

French and Common Candies,
Raisins, Currants, Citron, Jellies, Prunes, Ginger Preserves, Flavoring Extracts, Perfumery, Ketchup, Sauces, Sardines, Crackers, Fresh Fruit in cans, Figs, Oranges, Coconuts, Almonds, Brazil Nuts, Filberts, Pecan, English Walnuts, Dolls, Marbles, India Rubber Balls, Banjos, Violins; also, Banjo, Violin and Guitar Strings, and many other articles too numerous to mention, all of which are for sale low for cash or barter.
A. R. NESBIT,
D. G. MAXWELL.
Feb 11, 1867.

Just Received at Presson & Gray's
4,000 Lbs Bacon Tides,
4 Bbls Family Leaf Lard,
10 Kegs Family Leaf Lard.
The above articles will be sold cheap as the cheapest.
Expected in a few days, 500 bushels of Corn and 500 bushels of Oats.
FEB 18, 1867. PRESSON & GRAY.

GROCERIES.
Having purchased the interest of JAS. H. CARSON, in the late firm of W. BOYD & CO., I shall continue the

Family Grocery Business
at the Old Stand in the Springs Building, one door above Hutchison, Barrongts & Co.
Thankful for the very liberal patronage bestowed on the Old Firm, I would solicit a continuance of the same. My motto shall be, Quick Sales and Short Profits, with fair dealings.
Old friends as well as new customers will find a general and full assortment of Family Groceries at low prices.
Come one, come all, and if you do not wish to buy, you may find a comfortable seat by a good fire.
In addition to the Family Grocery Business, I buy and sell on Commission,
Cotton, Grain, Flour, Tobacco, Cotton Yarn, Bacon, Fertilizers, &c., to which punctual attention and prompt returns are given.
Orders or Consignments solicited. My business will be conducted exclusively for Cash, as profits in my line of Trade are too small to sell on credit.
From a long experience in business as well as a general knowledge of Transportation, I hope to give entire satisfaction and share a liberal patronage.
Feb 4, 1867. W. BOYD.

WILSON, CALLAWAY & CO.,
Bankers and Commission Merchants,
No. 44 Broad Street, NEW YORK
R. T. WILSON, R. F. WILSON, J. M. JOHNSON, Trade Agents; THOS. H. CALLAWAY, Cleveland, Tenn.; W. P. ORME, Atlanta, Georgia.
MESSRS J. Y. BRYCE & CO., will make liberal advances on Shipments to our House.
Dec 3, 1866

Laborers Wanted.
We want to employ 100 laborers, white or black, to work at the Coreton Gold Mine, in Union county. Good wages will be given, to be paid at the end of every month. Apply at the Mine, 10 miles from Monroe.
B. J. CURTTON & CO.
Feb 11, 1867

STARVATION IN NORTHERN ALABAMA.—The Mobile Tribune, in an article with the above caption, says:
"This is rather a startling announcement, is it not, reader? Alas! would it were no worse than merely a startling or sensational heading to a single case of destitution. It is, alas! literally true, that many of our people in Northern Alabama cannot procure food—are starving, and hundreds of miles away from the means of substantial and permanent relief. A few of the more fortunate aid their utterly destitute neighbors, even when they see them threatening themselves in the near future, but that whole region of country is impoverished, and assistance must reach the sufferers from more favored portions of the State, or—it is an appalling fact—hundreds must perish of hunger."
"We have received a visit from Mr C. S. England, a citizen of Northern Alabama. He informs us that the drought killed the crops last season entirely in the highlands; and as this was the sole dependence of the greater portion of the population for subsistence, there are many families who have absolutely no food but that which they beg, or pick up in the woods, like wild beasts."
In Cherokee county there is a great deal of suffering reported. The Advertiser predicts the starvation of many, if something is not done immediately. It says the quantity of provisions now in the country is far short of what it was last year at this time.

THE MARCH OF IMPROVEMENT.—In Providence, Rhode Island, a man has been imprisoned in jail ten days for sleeping in church during service. In Philadelphia, ten young men were arrested for lounging on the pavement in front of a church during service.

WHAT THE JAPANESE JUGGLERS DO.—One of the feats of the Japanese jugglers now in San Francisco on their way to the Paris Exposition is thus described:
An old man lies upon his back with his feet in the air; a little boy mounts and stands upon them. An oval tub is passed to the boy, which he places under his feet and upon the man's; and is given to him, which is added to the first, and so on until the little fellow's head touches the proscenium from the top of the tottering pile, which is all the time supported by the strong and muscular chap below.
The little fellow makes his salaam to the audience from his dizzy height, coolly fans himself as he surveys the situation, and appears as unconcerned as if reposing on terra firma. Suddenly one of the performers utters an exclamation in Japanese, which is responded to by another. The old man, the foundation of the pile, takes up the chorus, the little fellow at the top jerks it out like the snapper of a whip, the 'foundation' gives his feet a kick—things look squally for little Tommy—the audience fear that he will fall and break his neck, or be terribly bruised among the boxes; the old man beneath appears in imminent danger also from the falling tub; but no, he gives his feet a kick, throws the tubs entirely from him, and Tommy drops like a cat, alighting with his feet upon the old man's, and in an upright position.

Mr J. D. B. De Bow, the editor of De Bow's Review, died after a brief illness, at Elizabeth, New Jersey. Mr De Bow was born in Charleston in 1820.

HILLER & BLACK,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,
Can be found at the well known Cotton Store of R. M. Oates & Co., where they expect to keep constantly on hand all kinds of
Grain, heavy Groceries & Provisions,
at wholesale and retail. Orders from a distance for Grain, will be promptly filled.
They will also buy and sell all articles in their line on Commission.
Consignments solicited. The best of references given.
Feb 11, 1867. if

Grocery and Provision Store,
Under the Mansion House, opposite the Springs Building.
I have on-hand, and will constantly keep, Corn Meal, Flour, Bacon, Lard, and Country Produce generally.
Also, Sugar, Coffee, Crackers, Molasses, and in fact everything in the Grocery line a family may need.
I have also a fine lot of Northern Potatoes and some very fine No. 1 Mackerel.
I will sell as cheap as the cheapest. Try me.
The highest market price will be paid for country produce of all kinds.
Feb 18, 1867. A. BERRYHILL.

FANCY GROCERIES.
Pickles, Preserves, Jellies, Mustard, Horse Radish, Powdered Ginger and Cinnamon, Ginger Preserves, Macaroni, Hermetically sealed Meats and Fruits, Salmon, Lobsters, Oysters, Clams, Sardines, Pine Apples, Peaches, Strawberries, Salad Oil, Cutspurs, Soda Powders, Vinegar, Killinick Smoking Tobacco, Havana Segars, Tobacco and Snuff, Chestnuts, Green and Dried Apples, Raisins, Fishing Hooks and Tackle, Violin and Guitar Strings.

WINES AND BRANDIES.
Champagne, Pemartin Sherry, old Newton Madeira, old Port, Catawba, Rhine, Jas. Hennessy Cognac Brand, vintage of 1858, Marc Renault double refined rectified Whiskies, old Bourbon, Rye, Whisky, pure Corn and Monongahela Whiskies, Holland Gin and Schiedam Schnapps, Bitters, St. Croix and Jamaica Rum, Cordials and Lemon and other Syrups, London Porter, A. Guinness & Sons' xxx Brown Stout, Dublin, Muir & Son's sparkling Edinburgh Ale, Glass Bottles, Flasks and Demijohns of all sizes to the Trade.
Old Corn and Rye Whisky by the barrel, to the trade at small profit.
Visitors and residents in Charlotte purchasing any of the above for medicinal purposes, can get a pure article by calling on
J. D. PALMER.
Feb 18, 1867.

Wheel-Wright Shop.
The subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has a shop on College street, in the rear of Mr Cruse's residence, where he is prepared to do all kinds of wood work in his line with neatness and dispatch.
Particular attention paid to Repairing Wagons and Buggies.
Feb 11, 1867. WILLIAM FOSTER.

STATE NEWS.
IMPORTANT DECISION.—The Stay Law of the Legislature Declared Invalid.—The Tarboro' Southerner informs us that at Martin Superior Court week before last, the interesting question of the validity of the Stay Law of the Legislature was presented to Judge Barnes, and as it involved grave considerations, he reduced his opinion to writing. The Judge's opinion is against the validity of the law. We suppose the case will be carried up to the Supreme Court next June.

It is reported that Gov. Worth will convene the Legislature again in the course of a few weeks, with a view to calling a Convention. We do not know what foundation there is for this report. We incline to think, however, from what we have heard, that the Legislature will not be convened for the purpose indicated.—*Raleigh Standard.*

Messrs O. G. Parsley & Co., received a letter from Gov. Worth, directing them to forward at once one thousand bushels to Salisbury, and thirteen hundred bushels to Charlotte, of the corn sent to this State recently by the New York Relief Committee. The remainder of the original three thousand bushels remains here for further instructions.—*Wilmington Dispatch.*

The growing wheat crop in this portion of the State is very promising. The stand is good and the plants green. We learn similar favorable accounts from all sections of the country. The winter, though cold, was altogether favorable, in consequence of the snow that covered the earth for a number of weeks.—*Statesville American.*

THE WIFE OF EX-PRESIDENT DAVIS.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis passed through this city on Friday evening last, accompanied only by a servant, en route for Charleston. She was met at the depot by Hon. Geo. Davis and lady, Mrs. J. E. Oakley, President of the Ladies Memorial Association of this city, and Hon. A. H. Van Bokkelen. We are pleased to learn that this eminent lady is enjoying good health, although, naturally enough depressed in spirits on account of the troubles by which she is surrounded.—*Wilmington Journal March 3.*

THE JOHNSTON WILL CASE.—This important case, recently tried in Edenton, involving some five hundred thousand dollars, has been decided in favor of the will. We learn that an appeal has been taken to the Supreme Court, and the case is expected to be decided by that Court at its June Term.

UNWELCOME VISITORS.—We have been informed that a few weeks ago the family of Mr Burnett, living near the Black Mountain, were much startled by the sudden appearance of a Panther and her two cubs, who, it is supposed, were attracted by the crying of a child in the house, and while the men were sitting at the fire, suddenly bounded into the room with claws extended and eyes rolled. The gentlemen not relying such close proximity to such radical claws as they displayed, without weapons of defence, beat a hasty retreat, in "double quick," leaving the field to her Panthership and family, who went "bouncing round" to find the tender morsel they had come for. Fortunately the door of the room where the child was, was closed, and they retired as hungry as they came.—*Asheville News.*

STOCK RAISING.—It appears to us that no portion of the United States can claim greater advantages for raising stock, than Western North Carolina. The grasses grow most luxuriantly, and the climate is peculiarly adapted to the health and comfort of animals. These are the great natural essentials for stock raising, and we are pleased to learn that many intelligent gentlemen are turning their attention to this profitable branch of agriculture. Our neighbors, Gen. R. B. Vance and W. W. Smith have just received pairs of pure Chester and Chester and Essex pigs, which are very fine, and, in our opinion, well adapted to this country.—*Asheville News.*

"JESUS WILL GO WITH ME!"—A little girl, four years old, grew ill. One day her father was sitting beside her little bed, and she turned to him with the question:
"Papa, doesn't the doctor think I shall die?"
Her father with a very sad heart, told his little girl the truth. Then her pale face grew very sad, and she mused a while on the dark graves she had sometimes looked down into, where the people were buried.
"Papa," she said tearfully, "The grave looks very dark. O, it is very dark indeed! Papa, would you go down with me into it?"
That strong arm she had been accustomed to lean on seemed to her a safe-guard in every hour of dread and danger.
With a bursting heart, her father told her he could not go with her till the Lord called him.
"Papa, won't you let mamma go with me?"
If she could nestle close in that loving bosom, and feel those loving arms around her, the grave would lose its gloom. The same answer almost broke the father's heart to give. She turned her face to the wall and wept. The dear lamb had been taught of Jesus, and she poured her heart out to him with a child's full faith. Soon she looked up with a joy-lighted face and said:
"Papa, the grave is not dark now. Jesus will go with me."

WORTH & DANIEL,
Shipping & Commission Merchants,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Dealers in Bagging, Rope, Ties, Lime, Plaster, Cement, Hair, Genuine Peruvian Guano direct from Government Agents.
Salt, Hay and all kinds of Coal.
Agents for Baugh's Raw Bone Super Phosphate of Lime.
Agents for the Philadelphia Southern Mail Steamship line.
Agents for Goodspeed's weekly Steamship line from New York.
Agents for Jonas Smith & Co's line of New York sail packets.
[Feb 18, 1867—6m]

CAPTIONS OF ACTS
Passed by the late Session of the Legislature.
In addition to the list of Captions published last week, we give the following:
An act to amend chapter 68 Revised Code, prescribing the duties of Clerks in issuing marriage licenses. [Repeals so much of sec. 2 of said chapter as requires the Clerk to take bond; also requires the Clerk to give the names of the parents of each (when known) and also whether the parties are white or colored.]
An act to authorize the President and Directors of the W. N. C. Railroad Company to put said Road under contract.
An act to regulate taxation by the County Courts. [Requires the Justices of the several counties of the State in laying taxes for County purposes to impose taxes on all persons and subjects taxed by the State in uniform proportion to the levies laid by the State.]
An act to amend the act for collecting Revenue. [Ratified March 12th, 1866.]
An act to pay Jurors in capital cases. [Allows same pay as Jurors of regular panel.]
An act to authorize the subscription of Lands, Bonds and Stocks to the Cheraw and Coalfield Railroads.
An act to provide for including the value of stamps in the taxation of costs. [Authorizes the amount of stamps to be taxed in the Bill of Costs.]
An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish Work Houses, or Houses of Correction in the several counties of the State, ratified 2d March, 1866." [Allows several counties to unite in building said Houses, and at such point as may be determined upon by the Justices of all the counties combining, &c.]
An act explanatory of an act entitled An act to change the jurisdiction of the Courts and the rules of pleading therein. [Said act is not to apply to debts or contracts made since May 1st, 1865, or which may hereafter be made; it also extends the provisions of the stay law to suits in Equity as well as to action in Law, when the suit or action is founded on any contract or obligation entered into prior to May 1st, 1865.]
An act to incorporate the North Carolina Agricultural and Manufacturing Company.
An act to protect landlords against insolvent tenants.
An act to incorporate the North Carolina Orphan's Asylum.
An act to extend the time for the return to the County Court of the lands to be sold for taxes. [Extends the time for the years 1867-'68 to the 1st day of April of said years.]
An act to amend an act for the relief of Landlords, ratified the 26th of January 1863, and an act amendatory of the same, ratified the 28th day of May 1864.
An act to grant amnesty and pardon to females, [applies to those who made raids on Commissary and Quartermaster Stores, County, State or Confederate States.]
An act to secure advances for Agricultural purposes. [Gives to any person making advances to agriculturists a lien on the crop made that year in preference to any others. Provided, An agreement in writing has been entered into before any advances has been made.]
An act to authorize the exchange of certain Bonds issued during the war for internal improvement purposes, for new Bonds.
An act to incorporate the North Carolina Land Agency, for the encouragement of emigration.
An act to convert the debts due the State from the A. & N. C. R. R. Company into capital stock, [authorizes the Governor to subscribe the amount due the State from said Co, as capital stock, and increases the stock of the Company to \$1,800,000.]
An act to incorporate the Charlotte Water Works.
An act supplemental to, and explanatory of an act passed at this General Assembly, entitled "An act to abolish imprisonment for debt." [Amends by giving the Plaintiff in actions of tort his writ of *capias ad respondendum*, and shall only apply to actions of debt, assumpsit and covenant or actions ex-contracted.]
An act to incorporate the colored Educational Association of North Carolina.
An act to harmonize and give through freight and travel, without the expense of transfer on different railroads in this State. [Authorizes the Directors of the various railroads to enter into such agreements and terms with each other as to secure through freight and travel; and also authorizes them to make such connections with the roads of Tennessee and Georgia, so as not to be detrimental to the roads and sea-ports of this State.]
An act to change the time of holding the Courts in the 7th judicial circuit; changes as follows:
Catawba, 2d Monday in February and August; Lincoln, 3d " " " " " "
Gaston, 4th " " " " " "
Cleveland, 1st Monday after 4th Monday in February and August; Polk, 2d Monday after 4th Monday in Feb. and Aug.; Rutherford, 3d Monday after the 4th Monday of Feb'y and August; McDowell, 4th Monday after the 4th Monday of February and August; Burke, 5th Monday after the 4th Monday of February and August; Caldwell, 6th Monday after the 4th Monday of February and August; Watauga, 7th Monday after the 4th Monday of February and August; and the non-Jury terms of the County Courts of said Counties be held at the same time, and the Jury terms of said Counties to be held as follows:
Catawba, 2d Monday of May and November; Lincoln, 3d " " " " " "
Gaston, 4th " " " " " "
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An act to authorize the mayor or chief magistrate of any incorporated city or town in this State to enforce the collection of fines and penalties. [Authorizes said officers to order persons who may be fined in obedience to any ordinance of said corporation (and who refuse to pay said fines) to work on the streets or other public works.]
An act amendatory of an act passed this session of the General Assembly, and ratified the 12th February, 1867, to change the jurisdiction of the courts and the rules of pleading therein, and for other purposes. [Imposes a fine of \$500, or imprisonment, at the discretion of the court, on any Clerk, Sheriff, Constable or other officer for issuing or executing any writ contrary to the meaning of the Stay Law.]
Resolution in favor of the Sheriffs of Union, Orange and Brunswick Counties, and the Tax Collectors of Wayne and Johnston Counties.
Resolution in favor of the County of Stanly. [Authorizes the Public Treasurer to loan said County \$3,000.]
Resolution for the relief of Culpepper Austin, Sheriff of Union County.
Resolution authorizing the Governor to pay freight on supplies furnished by Benevolent Societies.
Resolution providing commutation to soldiers, who have lost arms in the military service.
Resolution in favor of soldiers maimed in the late war.
Resolution in favor of J. L. Withers and James H. White.
Resolution in reference to disabled soldiers. [Allows \$70 to those who have lost both arms, and when a leg or arm has become paralyzed so as to become useless, allows \$70 for leg and \$50 for arm.]

SPEECH OF REVERDY JOHNSON
On the Reconstruction Bill.
The following is the speech of Hon. Reverdy Johnson, Senator in Congress from Maryland, delivered in the Senate on the 20th ult., on the bill to provide for the more efficient government of the rebel States, which passed the Senate:
Mr President: I have felt a solicitude for the condition of the country, consequent upon the exclusion of the Southern States from their right of representation in this body, that I want words to express. The view that I have entertained is that, in their present condition, they are entitled to be represented. But the Congress of the United States, from the termination of the rebellion to the present time, have taken a different view, and I have lost all hope of seeing them at any early date, if at any day with the consent of Congress, reinstated in their original condition.
Besides the interest, the vital interest, which the people of the South necessarily have in the present state of things, the interest of the other States is almost as great. As long as it continues, more or less will the reputation of the country suffer. I have been, therefore, from the first, ready to agree to any proposition which I believed would result in bringing the Southern States back, however much I may be opposed to the conditions which may be exacted of them.
Nothing can be worse than the state in which they are now placed. Desolation around them, all rights denied them of a political character, and on the floor of the Senate, to say nothing of another branch of the Government, their character as men has been expressed in terms which have caused me nothing but the deepest regret. I know that they are not deserving of such asperities. I think I know that the descendants of the men of the South who upon so many occasions battled on the field for the honor and glory of the country and contributed so much to the success of our civil government, cannot be such men as some of the members of Congress have designated them. I wish them to be here in our midst to show by their presence that in all particulars, moral and political, intellectual and christian, they are our equals. The very battles which they have waged in seeking to destroy the government exhibited deeds of valor of which Rome in her proudest days might have boasted. If I had my own way I would receive them at once in this chamber, with a heart full of conviction that they would be true to their duty to the country, and that they would promote its permanent interest.
But I have not my way. I am obliged, therefore, to acquiesce in the decision of the majority of Congress, however erroneous or unjust I may believe that decision to be, provided I believe that it will end in a comparatively short time in restoring the Southern States to the brotherhood of States. I am unwilling that this Congress shall adjourn without the adoption of some measure that holds out a hope, however distant, that this may be the result of our deliberations, and believing that this will be done by the adoption of the measure as it now stands before you, I shall now give it my vote, not because I approve of it in the abstract, or in the particular, but because I think I see in it a mode of rescuing the country from the perilous predicament in which it is now placed.
Mr President, if there be a feeling which should animate the heart of every American, it should be one of generosity, magnanimity and charity for the men who, although they sought to break asunder the cords of the Union, are now looking with solicitude to their being reinstated.
If there be a feeling which should animate every American citizen, it is that we should be, and at the earliest period, a people one and indivisible, demonstrating to the world that however alarming the few last years may have been, and however they were calculated to cause the lovers of constitutional freedom to despond, the time will speedily come when the feeling consequent upon that effort will have subsided, and we shall be brought together again and be seen in the undisturbed exercise of duties imposed upon us, and exhibiting to the world a people great in war, and a people capable of being in the end, the war terminated, as great in peace.

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