

General Assembly.

SENATE.

Monday, Nov. 19.

This being the day appointed by law for the meeting of the General Assembly, and fifty-eight of the members of the Senate appearing, that body proceeded to the qualification of its members.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the Senate proceeded to ballot for their presiding officer. Mr. W. suggested the propriety of balloting without making any regular nomination. By this course, the preference of members would be ascertained, whilst no person voted for would experience any mortification at defeat. This arrangement having been agreed to, two ballotings were had, which resulted as follows:—

| | 1st. | 2d. |
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| W. D. Mosely, | 29 | 41 |
| H. Seawell, | 3 | 4 |
| L. D. Wilson, | 5 | 3 |
| W. F. Leake, | 5 | 1 |
| J. Wellborn, | 4 | 3 |
| Scattering & blank, | 7 | 6 |

Mr. Mosely having received a majority of the whole number of votes given in, was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Montgomery, of Orange, from whence he returned his thanks in a neat and pertinent address.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, Samuel F. Patterson, of Wilkes, was appointed Principal Clerk, and William J. Cowan, of Bladen, Clerk Assistant.

On motion of Mr. Vanhook, Thomas B. Wheeler was appointed Principal Door keeper, and Green Hill, Assistant Door keeper.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery, of Hertford, a Message was sent to the House of Commons, informing them of the organization of the Senate and of their readiness to proceed to the despatch of public business; and then the Senate adjourned.

Tuesday, 20th.

Messrs. Spaight, Toomer, Seawell, Wilson and Bailey were appointed a committee to prepare Rules of Order, for the government of the Senate during the present session.

Received from the House of Commons a message proposing that a select joint committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor and inform him of the organization of the Legislature, and of its readiness to receive any communication he may think proper to make, and stating that Messrs. McLeod and Shepard are appointed to form the Committee on the part of that House, which proposition was agreed to on the part of the Senate, and a message sent to the House of Commons informing them thereof, and stating that Messrs. Williams and Hoke are appointed to form the committee on the part of the Senate. Mr. Williams from that committee, reported, that the committee was authorised to state that his Excellency would make a written communication to the Legislature to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

Wednesday, 21st.

Mr. Parker presented the petition of Henry Humphreys, of the county of Guilford, praying the Legislature to pass an act exempting from taxation for the term of fifteen years, a Cotton Factory, with the slaves therein employed, together with the lands and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in Greensborough; which were read and referred to a select committee.

Mr. Spaight from the select committee appointed for the purpose, reported Rules of Order for the government of the Senate, which were adopted.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Monday, Nov. 19.

A quorum of the members of this House appearing, they proceeded after being qualified, to the selection of their officers.

Louis D. Henry, Esq. of Fayetteville, was nominated for Speaker by Mr. McMillan, of Bladen, and the name of Samuel T. Sawyer, Esq. of Edenton, was added to the nomination, by Mr. Gwynn, of Caswell. A balloting took place which resulted in the choice of Mr. Henry, by the following vote: Henry 69, Sawyer

52, blank 3. Mr. Henry was conducted to the Chair by Mr. McMillan, from whence he made his acknowledgments to the House.

On motion of Mr. Clayton, Charles Manly, of Raleigh, was appointed Principal Clerk, and Edmund B. Freeman, of Halifax, Clerk Assistant.

On motion, Richard Roberts, of Raleigh, was appointed principal Door Keeper.

The House proceeded to ballot for Assistant Door Keeper, John Lumsden, John —, John Cooke, John Cooper, Levi Wilkinson, Thos. Parham, Benj. Jones, Willie H. Williams, and William Stokes being in nomination. On the first ballot, neither of the candidates had a majority.

Tuesday, 20th.

The House proceeded to ballot again for Assistant Door Keeper. After three ballotings, John Cooper, of Stokes county, was declared duly elected.

On motion, a committee consisting of Messrs. Sumner, Sawyer, Polk, Bragg and Pearson, were appointed to prepare Rules of Order for the government of the House.

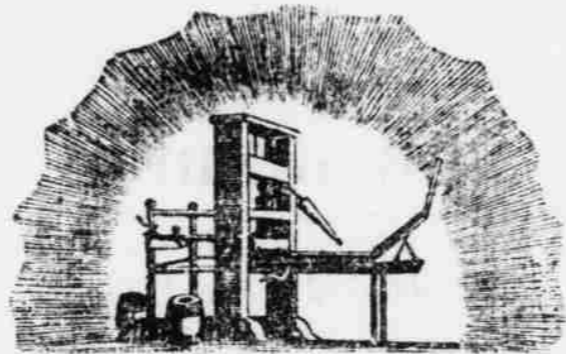
The House proceeded to ballot for three Engraving Clerks, the following persons being in nomination:—Daniel Coleman, John W. Covington, Thomas G. Stone, Thomas L. West and Isaac C. Patridge. On the first ballot, the three first named, being the Clerks of last year, were elected. The vote was, Coleman 172, Covington 103, Stone 123, West 55, Patridge 34.

Wednesday, 21st.

Mr. Graves submitted a Resolution for the accommodation of one or more Stenographers. On motion of Mr. Bragg the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Sumner, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported Rules of Order for the government of the House, which were adopted.

Mr. Pearson presented the petition of Rd. H. Alexander, praying that the seat of Burton Craige, the sitting member from the town of Salisbury, be vacated; and that he, the petitioner, be permitted to qualify in his stead, and moved, that it be referred to the committee of privileges and elections.



TARBOROUGH.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1832.

Governor's Message, &c.—We have been favored by Gen. L. D. WILSON, Senator from this county, with pamphlet copies of the Governor's Message and the Report of the Public Treasurer. We will insert the Message in our next paper, together with an abstract of the Report. The Message is short, but comprehensive and highly creditable to the talents and discrimination of the author. It is altogether confined to matters of State concernment, and is wholly free from those fine spun theories and rhetorical flourishes, which generally extend to an inconvenient and unnecessary length, the productions of the Executives of other States.

Gov. Stokes having accepted an office under the General Government, closes his Message with the following appropriate valedictory:

"In this last act of my political relations with the State of North Carolina, I should be ungrateful in withholding the expression of my unfeigned thanks for the many testimonies of confidence and support which I have received from the Legislature and from the people, in the course of a public life of forty-seven years spent in their service, in various stations: In all of which I have received the most unequivocal proofs of their indulgence."

Presidential Election.—A few weeks ago we published some speculations respecting the probable result of the pending election, in which we stated, "that the votes mutually conceded by all parties, stand for the Administration, 96; for the Opposition, 49; doubtful, 143." Most of the doubtful States have been heard from,

and we now feel at liberty to transfer them bodily, (with the exception of Kentucky, in lieu of which we have New Jersey,) to the side of the Administration—the vote will thus probably be, for the Administration, 230; for the Opposition 58. The Opposition vote perhaps will be thus divided—for Clay: Massachusetts, Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, and 7 votes in Maryland, total 47—for Wirt: Vermont and Rhode Island, 11. The balance for the Administration.

As it is more than probable that Mr. Van Buren will receive all the Administration votes for the Vice Presidency, with the exception of those given in Pennsylvania and South Carolina, his election by the people is also rendered morally certain. We confess that we preferred Judge Barbour for that office, but also candidly acknowledge that we would prefer the election of Mr. Van Buren by the people, sooner than thrust it in the Senate.

The accounts are so contradictory respecting the majorities in the different States, that we have concluded to defer publishing them until we receive those that can be relied on.

The following are the official returns of the Presidential election, from the several counties in North Carolina.—Star.

| | Jackson & Van Buren. | Jackson & Clay & Barbour. | Clay & Sergeant. |
|--------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Anson, | 529 | 39 | 111 |
| Ashe, | 265 | 34 | 49 |
| Buncombe, | 375 | 259 | 60 |
| Bertie, | 261 | 37 | 45 |
| Bladen, | 210 | | 59 |
| Brunswick, | 103 | 11 | 51 |
| Beaufort, | 54 | 200 | 53 |
| Burke, | 490 | 149 | 114 |
| Cabarrus, | 79 | 249 | 173 |
| Columbus, | 169 | 39 | 30 |
| Carteret, | 107 | 5 | 59 |
| Currituck, | 153 | | 10 |
| Chowan, | 109 | | 55 |
| Chatham, | 384 | 34 | 81 |
| Cumberland, | 593 | 58 | 183 |
| Camden, | 186 | 3 | 11 |
| Caswell, | 620 | 12 | 8 |
| Craven, | 288 | 5 | 137 |
| Duplin, | 289 | | 11 |
| Davidson, | 55 | 333 | 58 |
| Edgecombe, | 877 | 48 | 5 |
| Franklin, | 459 | 9 | 30 |
| Granville, | 441 | | 41 |
| Gates, | 321 | | |
| Greene, | 174 | 1 | 69 |
| Guilford, | 247 | 27 | 375 |
| Halifax, | 243 | 258 | 10 |
| Hyde, | 99 | 43 | 36 |
| Hertford, | 173 | 25 | 15 |
| Haywood, | 353 | 5 | |
| Iredell, | 359 | 104 | 382 |
| Johnston, | 360 | | 7 |
| Jones, | 106 | 5 | 56 |
| Lincoln, | 943 | 306 | 226 |
| Lenoir, | 229 | 4 | 19 |
| Macon, | 396 | 44 | 3 |
| Moore, | 348 | 7 | 5 |
| Montgomery, | 59 | 331 | 82 |
| Mecklenburg, | 489 | 273 | 211 |
| Martin, | 357 | 75 | 17 |
| New Hanover, | 541 | 6 | 74 |
| Nash, | 437 | 8 | |
| Northampton, | 117 | 2 | 38 |
| Onslow, | 373 | | 6 |
| Orange, | 759 | 6 | 170 |
| Person, | 251 | 11 | 75 |
| Pasquotank, | 233 | | 111 |
| Pitt, | 202 | 121 | 31 |
| Perquimons, | 135 | | 81 |
| Rowan, | 158 | 451 | 118 |
| Randolph, | 259 | 32 | 221 |
| Rockingham, | 383 | | 32 |
| Robeson, | 407 | 6 | 100 |
| Richmond, | 236 | 48 | 69 |
| Rutherford, | 775 | 203 | 24 |
| Sampson, | 361 | 9 | 10 |
| Surry, | 482 | 36 | 90 |
| Stokes, | 667 | 1 | 167 |
| Tyrrell, | 131 | 7 | 8 |
| Washington, | 126 | 25 | 24 |
| Wilkes, | 250 | 211 | 69 |
| Wayne, | 422 | 7 | 34 |
| Warren, | 415 | 10 | 8 |
| Wake, | 503 | 22 | 101 |
| | 21,007 | 3,555 | 4,563 |

We have every reason to believe that the unfortunate individual mentioned in the subjoined article, was from this town instead of Fayetteville. A young man of the same name and connexions, left this place about two months ago in the Norfolk stage, the mercantile establishment in which he was employed as a clerk having been removed—since when he has not been heard of. It may also be proper to add, that during the six or eight months he remained here, he was regular in his habits, attentive to business, and his conduct wholly unexceptionable.

Suicide.—About a month ago a young man of genteel appearance and address, by the name of WILLIAM W. EMERSON, came to this Borough from Fayetteville, (N. C.) and commenced keeping a lottery office in one of the brick tenements on Main, opposite Bank street, in which he was regular in his attendance until last week, during the whole of which his office remained shut, and he was missing. The circumstance however excited no remark, as it was supposed that he had

only left town for a short time. On Saturday last, however, the occupant of the adjoining tenement being annoyed by a most disagreeable odour issuing from the young man's apartment, finally determined to force open the door, to ascertain the cause, which he did, and to his surprise and horror found the tenant himself, dead and in a state of putrefaction. His body was lying on an inclined plane, formed by placing a chair in an inverted position on the floor, and laying a board on it; his lower extremities resting on the floor. He was stripped of his coat, the left shirt sleeve was rolled up; his arm was bandaged above the elbow, and a wide incision made in an artery a little below, from which it was evident he had bled to death. A razor was lying on the counter, with which he probably inflicted the wound. At the inquest it was ascertained that he had borrowed a book on anatomy from a neighboring physician, on Saturday week, no doubt for the purpose of ascertaining the situation of the artery, and it is probable that he perpetrated the act of self-destruction the same evening, as he had not afterwards been seen, either at his boarding house or by any of his acquaintance. From the papers found in his office it appears that his family live in Bangor, (Maine,) and that he has very respectable connexions in New York.—Norfolk Herald.

Mr. P. W. Fanning has issued proposals for publishing in Wilmington, in this State, a newspaper, to be called "The People's Press." It will appear on or before the first of January next—will support the present efficient Administration and its measures, so long as they accord with the principles of the Constitution—and be published once a week, on super-royal paper of good quality, at Four Dollars per year, payable in advance.

Casualty.—On Saturday evening, 10th inst. as a negro woman, the property of Benjamin Tucker, Esq. of this county, was picking out cotton, by the fire, by some accident the cotton took fire and communicated it to her clothes, which burnt her so severely that she died in a few hours.—Greenville Patriot.

The Beet Beet-en.—There is now growing in the garden of Mrs. Nancy Lewelling, of Edgecombe, a Beet measuring thirty-five inches in circumference. Its length has not been ascertained.—ib.

We learn from the Raleigh papers, that the Federal Court adjourned late on Saturday, the 17th inst. J. J. Straughan, of Chatham, was found guilty of robbing the U. S. Mail, and sentenced to ten years imprisonment. John B. Mills, of Fayetteville, was indicted for advising the robbery of the Mail, and found guilty; but on a motion in arrest of judgment, the Court being divided, the case was carried to the Supreme Court. The Land cases in which the State is so largely interested, were continued.

From the Washington N. C. Union.

Public Meeting.—Pursuant to notice given, a number of the citizens of the county of Beaufort and town of Washington, met at the Court House on the 23d inst. and having organized the meeting by the appointment of Thomas Ellison, Esq. Chairman, and Matthew Shaw, Secretary, the object of the meeting was stated by John Singeltary, Esq. as follows:—That it is greatly desirable the Sand Shoal in Tar river, below Washington, shall be removed; and that it being probable the boat and dredging machine belonging to the United States, now in this State, at Ocracoke Bar, can be procured for that purpose, the meeting would now have an opportunity of applying for the use of said boat and machine, and prescribing some mode by which the expense of employing the same can be defrayed.

On motion of John G. Blount, Esq. it was unanimously resolved, That a committee, consisting of five persons, namely, Messrs. Thomas H. Blount, William Tannahill, William A. Blount, Eli Hoyt, and Charles Moules, be appointed to obtain money, by subscription, from the citizens of this State, sufficient to defray the expenses of her operating while here—for fuel, provisions, board, &c. for the