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### LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

#### SENATE.

Monday, Dec. 12, 1864.

The Speaker being absent Mr. Patterson took the Chair.

The Committee on Cherokee Lands and the Western Territory.

A majority report was presented from the Committee on Military Affairs opposing giving the Governor authority to send Home Guards out of the State. Ordered to be printed.

The Joint Select Committee on the subject of Improvements by the general government, reported back the whole matter and asked to be discharged. Discharged accordingly.

The Joint Select Committee, to which was referred the bill in regard to the employment in the field of persons engaged in light duty, reported back the same and recommended its passage.

A proposition was made to the House to go into an election for seven Commissioners of State on Thursday next at 12 o'clock.

**BILLS, ETC., INTRODUCED.**

Mr. Odom, a resolution requesting the Governor, in a certain contingency, to remove the appointing State Commissioner who has been appointed by him.

Mr. Matthews a bill to incorporate Stokesburg Lodge of Masons.

Mr. Odom, a bill concerning Import Duties. Judiciary.

Mr. Winstead, a resolution in favor of Robert W. Williams.

Mr. Ward, a resolution regarding the Judiciary Committee to inquire whether the Governor can be impeached when the General Assembly is not in session.

Mr. Strayhorn, a bill to increase the capital stock of the Saxon Iron Works Corporation.

**MATTERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

A message from the House of Representatives, to the effect that the House had returned the bill for the pay of members, with an amendment increasing the salary of members from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per annum.

A bill to amend the act relating to the pay of members of the House and Senate, passed on the 22nd and 23rd readings.

Several engrossed bills and resolutions were received from the House and read the first time.

A bill in reference to the Public Treasurer, under a suspension of the rules, passed on the 22nd and 23rd readings.

On motion of Mr. Dargan the rules were suspended and the resolution was put on its second reading.

Mr. Fowle opposed the resolution as being of no practical importance, and further as being an act of nullification, since the Constitution gave the Legislature no right to interfere with the Senior Reserves. The Judge of our Courts had decided that we have no jurisdiction on the premises.

On motion of Mr. Fowle the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Waugh introduced a resolution proposing that from Tuesday next to the close of the session the House shall meet daily at 10 o'clock, a. m., till 2 p. m., and meet again at 7 p. m., and adjourn at 10 p. m. Laid over under rule.

On motion of Mr. Waugh a message was sent to the Senate proposing to raise a Joint Select Committee on adjournment; also a message proposing to adjourn at 12 o'clock, a. m., on Wednesday next, 13th of December.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.**

Mr. Russell, a bill to secure the State Salt Works from interruption.

Mr. Carter, a bill respecting the qualification of Justices of the Peace within the enemy's lines.

Mr. McGeehe, a bill authorizing the Justices of Caswell county to increase the fees of the Justices of said county.

Mr. Shephard, a resolution authorizing the Public Treasurer to receive partial payments of taxes due from counties within the lines of the enemy.

Mr. Shephard a bill to incorporate the Cumberland Monumental Association.

Mr. Ward, a bill to amend section 7, chapter 74, of the Revised Code.

Mr. Sharpe, a resolution relative to the exemption from military service of employees in Woolen and Cotton Factories.

Mr. Geiger, a bill to incorporate Mt. Hermon Lodge, No. 118, Ancient York Masons.

Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg; a bill to amend the 101st chapter of the Revised Code.

An engrossed bill, from the Senate, concerning the mileage and per diem of the members of the General Assembly, was put on its 2d reading.

Mr. Calloway moved to amend by striking out "forty-five dollars per diem" and substituting "sixty." Not agreed to.

Mr. Cobb moved to strike out forty-five and insert forty. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dargan, the bill was amended by substituting fifty dollars per diem for the sum of \$45.

The bill then passed its 2d and 3d readings.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of Friday last, viz: Mr. Fowle's resolutions in relation to the suspension of the privilege of the writ *habeas corpus*.

Mr. J. H. Headen being entitled to the floor, concluded his remarks in support of the resolutions.

Mr. Cobb opposed the resolutions. He regarded them as useless and mischievous, and deprecated their introduction as calculated to encourage the enemy. He justified the suspension of the *habeas corpus* as a necessary war measure, and while he did not believe that the proposed suspension was particularly leveled at North Carolina, he quoted the Governor's message to show that treason existed in this State.

The resolutions were then adopted—yeas 63, nays 23.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Allison, Ashworth, Banks, Bean, Benbury, Best, Blair, Bond of Hertie, Bond of Gates, Brown of Madison, Bryson, Caldwell, Calloway, Carson of Rutherford, Costner, Cowles, Craig, Dargan, Davis of Halifax, Duke, Enise, Erwin, Flynn, Fowle, Gibbs, Gidney, Grison, Gutzger, Hadley, Hanes, Harrington, Harrison, Russell, J. H. Headen, W. J. Headen, Henry, Herbert, Hulston, Horton of Watauga, Horton of Wilkes, Isbell, Jordan, Joyner, Lane, Latham, Lewis, Little, Lytle, Mann, McComrick, McGeehe, Morisy, Murrill, Patton, Peace, Reinhardt, Riddick, Russell, Shober, Simmons, Smith of Johnston and Waugh—63.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Austin, Boyd Brown of Madison, Caho, Cobb, Crawford of Rowan, Faison, Farmer, Grier, Harris, Hawes, Judkins, Lane, Outerbridge, Powell, Shephard, Smith of Duplin, Stansell, Strong and Wooten—23.

Mr. Boyd, of Rockingham, introduced the following resolutions:

Whereas, This Legislature has heard with satisfaction of the good conduct of the Junior Reserves who volunteered to cross the State line into Virginia in order to repel the late advance of the public enemy on Weldon; Therefore,

Resolved, That the officers and soldiers of the Junior Reserves so acting deserve the commendation of their fellow citizens and are entitled to the thanks of the Legislature.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be transmitted to the commanding officers that they may be communicated to the command which they are intended to honor.

These resolutions were adopted having first been amended, on motion of Mr. Horton, of Wilkes, by extending their purview to such of the Home Guards as had volunteered to cross the State line, &c.

**BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.**

The following bills and resolutions passed their second reading, viz:

### A BILL TO LEGALIZE CERTAIN ACTS OF THE COUNTY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY.

A bill to legalize certain acts of the county court of Madison county; a resolution in favor of D. M. Ray, Tax Collector of Madison county; a bill to amend an act authorizing the Roanoke Navigation Company to divert from the use of their canal around the Grand Falls of Roanoke River, the use of water-power, &c.; a bill for the support of the N. C. Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, &c.; &c.

A bill to authorize the sale of lots in the town of Weldon, a bill to amend the charter of the Merchant's Bank of Newbern, a bill to incorporate Wm. R. Davis, Judge of the Superior Court, a bill to incorporate the firm of LaFleur, High School, a bill to provide for the holding of courts in Hertford county, a bill to incorporate the firm of LaFleur, High School, a bill to provide for the holding of courts in Hertford county, a bill to incorporate the firm of LaFleur, High School, a bill to provide for the holding of courts in Hertford county, &c.

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