

other, and have been at loggerheads.—The loyal party have the advantage, and are daily imprisoning some of the citizens. I fear the fire is only smothered to break out with fresh fury. Letters de Cachet and files of musqueteers are daily parading the streets—Business is almost at a stand—The harbour is crowded with American vessels, which have been waiting here, some two months, others longer, and cannot procure loading.”

FAYETTEVILLE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

Tuesday, November 16.

MR. McDowell presented a bill to continue in force, an act passed at Fayetteville, in 1788, entitled, an act for giving longer time for the registering, proving, and recording grants, deeds, or mesne conveyances, and other instruments of writing, which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Macon presented a bill to carry into effect the ordinance bill, which was read the first time and passed.

The bill to amend the act, entitled, an act to appoint commissioners to superintend the building a prison and stocks for the district of Fayetteville, and to levy a tax in the counties within the same, for the defraying the expence thereof, passed in 1788, was read the third time, amended and passed.

The bill to repeal part of the second and fifth sections of an act of the general assembly, passed in 1788, entitled, an act for raising a public revenue for the support of government, &c. was read the third time and passed.

The bill to alter the mode of swearing petit jurors, was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Jones presented a bill to establish the town of Nash, at the mouth of Cape-Fear river.

The bill to facilitate the navigation of Cape Fear river was referred to a joint committee of both houses, to be reported upon.

The bill to amend and alter the act for the benefit of insolvent debtors, was read the third time and negatived—yeas 25, nays 48.

Wednesday, November 17.

Mr. Caldwell presented a bill to alter the time of holding the courts of pleas

and quarter sessions in Iredell county—read the first time and passed.

Resolved, that no private bill be introduced into this house after Saturday next

Received from the senate a bill to alter the time of holding the general assembly of this state—read the third time and passed.

The bill for cutting a navigable canal from the waters of Pasquotank river in this state to the waters of Elizabeth river in the state of Virginia, was read the third time and passed—yeas 54, nays 41.

Thursday, November 18.

Mr. Taylor from the joint balloting for a governor, treasurer, public printer, and place for the next setting of the general assembly, reported, that his excellency Alexander Martin, esquire, was elected governor—John Haywood, esquire, treasurer, and Messrs. Hodge & Wills, printers—and that no place had a majority of votes for the setting of the next assembly.

Mr. Jones presented a bill for levying a tax and appointing commissioners for the purpose of building a district court-house for the district of Wilmington.

The bill for erecting a court-house in the town of Hillsborough was read the third time, amended; and passed

Mr. Smith from the committee to whom was referred the bill for making Cross-Creek navigable, together with the memorial of Mark Russel, reported, that it is the opinion of your committee the navigation proposed, when completed, will be of public utility, and having considered the petitioner's objections, are of opinion the same are not well founded. But the committee recommend, that a provision should be added to the bill, that unless the said navigation is rendered useful within three years from the passing of the bill into a law, the privilege granted therein shall be void—which was concurred with.

Friday, November 19.

The bill to establish the warehouses now building in Fayetteville by James Ritchie and John Winslow, and to empower the county court to appoint inspectors to the same, was read the third time and passed.

The bill to carry into effect a resolution of Congress, passed the 29th of September, 1789, was read the third time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to repeal all acts, clauses, and parts of acts of the general assembly of this state, as relates to the classing of tobacco, was read the third time, amended and passed.

Saturday, November 20.

Mr. Hill from the joint committee of balloting for councillors, colonels of cavalry for Salisbury and Hillsborough districts, major of the cavalry for the district of Edenton, and place for the next setting of the general assembly, delivered in the following report, viz.

That Charles Bruce and Philemon Hawkins, esquires, were elected councillors.

Samuel Benton, colonel of cavalry for Hillsborough district.

Robert Smith, colonel of cavalry for Salisbury district.

Thomas Harvey, major of cavalry for Edenton district.

And that no one place in nomination for the fitting of the general assembly, had a majority of votes.

The house resolved, that they do concur with this report.

Adjourned till Monday.

Monday, November 22.

Mr. Mathews presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Burke, and Wilkes, which being read, Mr. Mathews then moved for leave and presented a bill to annex part of Burke and Wilkes counties to Iredell county, which was read the first time, passed and sent to the senate.

Received from the senate a bill for altering the place of holding the courts in the county of Randolph, and for erecting public buildings therein, endorsed, read the first time, and passed.

Mr. Polk moved for leave and presented a bill to repeal an act passed at Fayetteville, in 1786, and to alter the mode of punishing horse stealing, which was read the first time, passed, and sent the senate.

Adjourned.

Tuesday, November 23.

The bill to incorporate the physicians and surgeons of this state, by the name of the North-Carolina Medical Society, which was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Jones presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Wilmington, which being read, Mr. Jones moved for leave and presented a bill agreeably to the prayer thereof, entitled, a bill to establish a town at Fort Johnston, on Cape-Fear river, which was read the first time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Franklin presented a petition from divers inhabitants of Wilkes county, praying to be added to the county of