

Mr. Baker introduced a bill in aid of an act passed by the Legislature of Virginia, incorporating a Company to establish a communication between the waters of Roanoke River, and those which fall into Chowan River, and the rivers and waters intermediate between any of them and the River Potomac; which passed its first reading.

Tuesday, Dec. 12.
On motion of Mr. Owen the Judiciary committee was instructed to enquire into the expediency of altering the mode of selling property under Execution, so far as regards time and place.

Mr. Cameron, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Resolutions proposing to appropriate money for repairing and improving a road leading from Old Fort, over the Swansboro Gap to Asheville, &c. and a road from Jonathan Woods' blacksmith's shop to the Tennessee line reported against the expediency of such appropriation, which report was disagreed to, and the Resolutions and report were re-committed, with instruction to report bills for carrying the propositions into effect.

On motion of Mr. Welborn, a select joint committee was appointed to examine whether any, and if any, what sum would be necessary to furnish the house at a part for the Governor with additional furniture.

Mr. Hill presented the petition of a number of the inhabitants of Chatham county, praying that the seat of justice may be removed to the town of Haywood, with a bill for carrying the prayer into effect: Both were referred to a select committee.

On motion of Mr. Cameron, the committee on the Militia laws were instructed to enquire into the expediency of passing a law authorizing a revision of the Militia Laws of this State.

Mr. Shober introduced a bill to make affidavits taken before a Magistrate, and certified by the Clerk of the county court prima facie evidence in every trial before a Justice of the Peace in any other county.

Mr. Calloway, a bill to appoint commissioners to view a part of the State Road in Ashe county.

Mr. Atkinson, a bill relative to the organization of the militia of this State.

Mr. R. R. Johnson, a bill allowing compensation to jurors in the county of Warren; which bills passed their first reading.

The bill appointing commissioners for fixing on a suitable place for a jail, has passed three readings in both houses.

Wednesday, Dec. 13.
Mr. Welborn, from the select committee to whom the bill was referred in relation to sales under execution, reported the bill with an amendment, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Hogan introduced a resolution directing the public printer to furnish each captain of militia in this state with a copy of the journals of the legislature, and that he be allowed 50 cents for each copy so furnished. Passed its first reading.

Mr. Graves, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of the executor of the late Maj. General Thomas Brown, reported an allowance for his services of \$14 dollars. Passed its first reading.

Mr. Owen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Chatham for a removal of the seat of justice, reported a bill to remove the same to Haywood, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Black introduced a bill concerning coroners, which passed its first reading.

Thursday Dec 14.
A number of bills were introduced from the House of Commons, which passed their first reading.

Mr. Walton from the committee appointed to revise the laws relative to Patrollers reported a bill to amend the Patrol laws, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Dudley introduced a bill to incorporate the New River Navigation Company, which passed its first reading.

Friday, Dec. 15.
The engrossed bill altering additional compensation to the Attorney General and solicitors for the state being read & amended, a motion was made to strike out the first section, which was negatived 30 votes to 13. The bill was then ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Atkinson reported a bill to amend the Militia laws, which passed its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Leonard, the committee on the Militia laws, were directed to enquire into the ex-

pediency of purchasing copies of the most approved Military Tactics for the commissioned officers of the State.

Saturday, Dec 16.
Mr. Black introduced a bill directing fees to be found in certain cases. Referred to the Judiciary committee.

Mr. Graves, from the committee on the boundary line between this State and Tennessee, reported a bill to amend an act passed in 1819, making provision for running the boundary-line between this State and Tennessee, and to repeal a part of the fourth section thereof, which passed its first reading.

The Senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Owen in the chair, on the Revenue Bill. After some time, the committee rose and reported the bill with amendments. The house took up the bill, and a motion was made to strike out the tax of twenty dollars on pedlars, and carried 30 votes to 28. It was then moved to fill the blank with fifteen dollars and carried. The bill then passed its third reading.

Monday, Dec. 18.
Mr. Locke, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill directing the county courts to pay fees to certain officers therein named in certain cases, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Shober introduced a bill to amend an act passed at the last session giving to the county courts power to regulate separate elections; and a bill to revise and continue in force an act concerning Military Land Warrants, passed in 1819;

Mr. McLeary a bill authorizing certain persons to lay off for sale the property therein mentioned. This bill was rejected on its second reading.

Mr. Cameron, from the committee on Internal Improvements reported a bill for repairing and improving the road leading over the Swansboro Gap to Asheville, thence to the Haywood line;

Mr. Owen, a bill to amend an act passed in 1734, to prevent the exportation of sugar, chocolate, commodities;

Mr. Baker, from the committee appointed on the subject, reported a bill to establish a Medical Board. All which bills passed their first reading.

Mr. Dudley introduced a preamble and Resolution stating that the Bank of the United States had been authorized by the general assembly to create a Branch of their Bank in this State, from a belief that it would equalize the exchange and induce a currency; but from the liberal policy of the Branch established in this State in running on the State Bank, the views entertained of usefulness. Resolved therefore, that the said Bank be requested to remove said Branch as soon as practicable.

Indefinitely postponed.
The report respecting the Superior Courts was disagreed to.

The bill requiring sheriffs to settle with Wardens of the poor earlier than they now do, was indefinitely postponed. As was also the bill for the better regulation of sheriffs coroners and constables.

Tuesday, Dec. 19.
Mr. Graves, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Col. Simon Britain reported that the Treasurer be directed to pay him \$25 for services rendered in endeavoring to bring to punishment Gen. John Roberts late paymaster of the attached Militia of this State, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Connor, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported a bill to clear and cut out a road from Jonathan Woods' Blacksmiths Shop to the Tennessee line also a bill to improve and repair the Turnpike road lately owned by Nathl. Horton, in the County of Wilkes.

The above bills passed their first reading.

Mr. R. R. Johnson, from the balloting Committee for Councilor's in State reported that Gideon Alston, Gabriel Holmes, Thomas Wynns, Wm. Blackledge, John Umstead, Theophilus Lacy, and David Gillispie, Esqrs. were duly elected.

Mr. Shober, from the Committee on Military Land Warrants to whom was referred a resolution instructing them to enquire into the expediency of allowing to Joshua Potts, a Land Warrant for his services as Superintendent Commissary in this State during the Revolutionary War, reported in his favour and that a Land Warrant be issued to him in his legal representative, for 3,840 acres of land, concurred with.

The bill for the regulation of the pilotage at the bar of Ocracook, was indefinitely postponed.

The senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Atkinson in the chair, on the report of the committee of elections on the case of Jesse Adams, the sitting member from Johnston.

The committee reported on them with an amendment, this report was then on motion recommitted to the committee of elections.

Mr. Leonard from the balloting committee, for Brigadier General in the first Brigade, reported that Wm. Martin of Pasquotank, was duly elected.

Wednesday, Dec. 20.
Mr. Atkinson, from the military committee, reported in favor of purchasing a sufficient number of copies of an abridged work on Military Tactics published by order of the war department for the use of the army; but the senate disagreed to the report.

Mr. A. also reported in favor of authorizing the adjutant general to revise the Militia Laws, have them printed, and a copy sent to each field and general officer in the state; but the senate refused to concur therewith.

Mr. Connor, from the judiciary committee reported a bill to alter the compensation of solicitors for the State in the courts; which passed its first reading.

Mr. Locke, from the same committee, reported it to be unnecessary to act on the subject of county finance, on an equalizing the payment of jurors, &c. and of treasury suits to pay them, which subjects had been referred to them.—Concurred with.

Mr. Deberry introduced a bill more effectually to enforce the opening and repairing the highway in this State, which passed its first reading.

The senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Connor in the chair, on the bill to provide more effectually for the payment of specie by the several Banks of the State. A motion being made to strike out the section of the bill, after some debate (which we did not hear) it was carried; and the Committee reported the bill thus amended. Whereupon a motion was made to postpone the bill with amendment indefinitely, which was carried 38 votes to 22.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.
Thursday, Dec 14.
The committee to whom was referred the disused balloting for a Judge, reported that an error had taken place which made it necessary to proceed to another ballot.—he report being concurred with, another balloting took place in which neither candidate had a majority: A second ballot was had, which resulted in the election of George E. Badger.

Mr. Worth introduced a bill providing for a female Department in the Grand Inqu. Academy.

Mr. Dulaney, from the Sub-Committee on the subject of Justice of Peace. Reported a bill to amend the act for the better regulation of the County Courts of Haywood to conform with the act for the regulation of the County Courts of Mecklenburg. Read the 1st time.

Mr. Moore from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred a Resolution on the subject, reported a bill to authorize the County Court of Haywood to contract for making a Turnpike Road from the War Ford on the Puckasee River to the sea shore line, near the head of the West Fork of Little Puckee.

These several bills passed their first reading.

The bill for the relief of widows in certain cases was rejected.

Several bills were received from the Senate, and passed their first reading.

Friday, Dec 15.
Mr. Dulaney, presented a bill limiting the time within which Judgments before a Justice of the Peace may be reviewed.—By Mr. Aston, a bill to establish a system of Arbitration throughout the State.—By Mr. Darden, a bill to amend an act passed in the year 1815, authorizing the appointment of a committee of Finance in Montgomery.—By Mr. Sutton, a bill directing the issuing of Treasury Notes, and for other purposes.—These bills passed their first readings.

Several private bills were read the third time and ordered to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Malone, reported unfavorably on authorizing a town to be laid off on the lands lately required from the Cherokee Indians.—Concurred with.

Mr. Hannon, from a select committee, reported the bill, with an amendment, authorizing the County Courts, to hold separate elections.—Agreed to and the bill read the 2d time.—Read a third time on Saturday and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Henderson, presented a bill authorizing the publication of the British Statutes in force in this State. Read the first time.

The bill reported by Mr. Hillman for the relief of honest debtors, was ordered to lie on the table and be printed. [This bill allows a man who honestly surrenders his property for the payment of his debts, to give security for his appearance at the next County Court, where he may have the benefit of taking the oath of Insolvency, without being imprisoned.]

The bill for removing the Court House from Pittsborough to Haywood in Chatham county, was reported by the Senate and postponed indefinitely on its first reading.

Mr. Cameron, from the select committee to whom was referred the report of the Commissioners on the sale of the Public Lands adjoining Raleigh, reported a bill making an allowance to said Commissioners and amending the act directing such sale.

The house proceeded to the order of the day, on the bill to provide more effectually for the payment of Specie by the several Banks of this State.—[The bill contemplated compelling the Banks to pay 25 per cent interest, for refusing to pay specie &c.] A motion to postpone the bill indefinitely was lost.—Yeas 29 Nays 78. The bill was finally amended so as to require the Banks to pay 6 per cent, and allowing summary process to be had against them.

The house then adjourned till 3 o'clock when they were engaged mostly in making appointments of Justices of the Peace.

Saturday, Dec. 16.
On motion of Mr. Cameron. Resolved, that the Hon. John L. Taylor and Henry Potter, Esq. be authorized and requested to examine all the laws in force in this State on the subject of insolvent Debtors, and that they prepare and report to the next General Assembly, a concise and corrected system of Laws on the subject, which shall embrace in its provisions a fair plan of Bankrupt Laws, and which shall exclude the imprisonment of the honest debtor.

Mr. Moore, presented a petition on the subject of a Canal contemplated to be run through several streets of the town of Fayetteville, and unfavorable to the running of said Canal. Referred.

Mr. Martin, presented a bill to repeal the act of 1796, to punish persons for removing debtors.—By Mr. Barnes, a bill to appoint commissioners to establish the dividing line between Chowan and Gates counties.—By Mr. J. D. Jones, a bill to authorize the raising \$6,000, by Lottery for the Presbyterian Church in Wilmington.—Each read the first time.

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Mr. Stale, from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of several chiefs of the Tuscarora Tribe of Indians, made a report.—After a good deal of discussion, the papers were permitted to be withdrawn.

Mr. Love, from a committee, Reported a bill to prohibit whitemen from cultivating the land reserved to the Indians.—Read the 1st time.

Mr. Meadister, presented a bill to establish a Court of probate in Cumberland.—By Mr. Robinson, a bill to regulate the County Courts of Mecklenburg.—Read the 1st time.

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Monday, Dec. 18.
The following bills were introduced: By Mr. Hillman, a bill more effectually to provide for the collection of the tax imposed on retail merchants by the Revenue law of 1819.

Mr. Cameron, a bill to authorize James Seawell to make a Turnpike Road between Fayetteville and Raleigh, and to raise by one or more lotteries the sum of \$50,000 to effect the same.

The above bills passed their first reading.

The house took up for consideration the bill for altering the time of meeting of the General assembly. A question on striking out the first Monday in November was carried. The second Monday in November was agreed to, and the bill passed its first reading.

The bill to provide more effectually for the payment of Specie by the several Banks, passed its third reading 106 votes to 17.

The bill to establish a system of Arbitration throughout the State, on motion of Mr. Iredell, was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Poindexter, from the balloting committee for a Treasurer and Comptroller for the ensuing year, reported that John Haywood was unanimously elected Treasurer, and that Samuel Goodwin was elected Comptroller by a majority of the whole number of votes given in.

Mr. Wilson presented a bill for extending and marking the boundary line between the Counties of Bladen and Columbus.

Mr. More, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom the bill and petitions against it had been committed, recommended that the bill to enable the Cape-fear Navigation-Company to run a canal through certain streets in Fayetteville be reported, which report was concurred with.

Tuesday, Dec. 19.
Mr. Barringer, from the Committee on Military affairs, to whom

was reported the petition of G. Heatsey and others of Fayetteville, reported a bill to authorize Commissioners to erect a House in said town, for the safe keeping of the arms, which passed its first reading.

Mr. Williamson, from committee to whom was reported the petition for the relief of honest debtors, reported the bill with several amendments, which was concurred in and the bill passed its 2d reading.

Mr. Joseph White presented a petition to concurring Clerks of the courts;

Mr. Iredell, from Judiciary committee to whom was referred a Resolution respecting female manumission, reported a bill concerning the marriage of infant females, Mr. also reported the bill to amend an act passed in 1817 concerning promissory notes and other negotiable instruments (which had been reported to that committee) with an amendment.

Mr. Barringer presented a bill for compensating the commissioners for Laying off and selling the public lands in the vicinity of Raleigh.

The above bills passed their first reading.

On motion of Mr. McLeod, the Military Committee were directed to enquire into the expediency of making such alterations in the laws authorizing the Adjutant General of the State to bring his suits, Wake county against delinquent officers, instead of the county, which such delinquents may resist.

Mr. Hinton, from the balloting committee for a Brigade General, reported the 10th brigade, reported by George Walton was duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Cameron it was unanimously Resolved, that the next General of this State, with the Council as he shall associate with himself, be authorized and empowered to commence and carry on a prosecution against John Wright, Halifax, the printer of a paper published there, under the name of the Halifax Company, for a libel contained in his paper of the 4th of December, 1826, upon this General Assembly and particularly upon the committee appointed to investigate the conduct of John Haywood, Public Treasurer and also against the author or authors of said libel, if or they can be discovered.

Speakers of the two houses are directed to send copies of this Resolution, with the libel in question, to the Solicitor-General.

On motion it was resolved, that Jeremiah Slade, Simmons J. Ball and Thomas Brickell, be appointed Commissioners to enquire into the claim of the Tuscarora Tribe of Indians to land in Bertie county; and also into the expediency of this making sale of the revolutionary interest in said lands, and to enquire into the claims of the several owners of the lands to a preferred purchase, and report to the next general assembly.

The bill directing the Treasurer of the State to issue Treasurer Notes, being on its 2d reading it was on motion of Mr. Spencer indefinitely postponed.

The bill allowing compensation to the members of the Senate and House of Commons of this State, and to the officers of houses being under consideration.

Mr. Cobb moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "five dollars" altered to the speakers per day, and insert three, which motion was negatived 92 votes to 23.

Wednesday, Dec. 20.
Mr. Mead, from the balloting committee for two Trustees of the University, reported that Thomas Deyereaux and John Owen were elected.

Mr. Henderson introduced a bill to authorize the Supreme Court to hold a part of evidence in certain cases, which passed its first reading.

The bill concerning the marriage of Female Infants, was read the second time amended and passed.

The resolution appropriating \$1000 to the purchase of additional furniture for the Governor's House, was read the third time and passed, 83 votes to 19.

The bill concerning Enury was read the second time; and, after considerable debate (which we did not hear) on motion of Mr. L. Martin, was postponed indefinitely, 81 votes to 36.

Mr. Stone, from the balloting committee for Lieutenant-Colonel of Cavalry in the 4th brigade, reported that Benjamin W. Williams was duly elected.

Mr. Hampton, from the balloting committee for a Colonel of Cavalry in the 9th brigade, reported that Wm. P. Waugh was duly elected.

Mr. A. Moore, from the balloting