## DAHLY ORSERVER.

| Johnstone Jones, viltor. |
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| Thurday, February 13, 1873 . |

Ship Caxis Prosecr.-The people
of Wilmanatonare just now deeply
interested in the project for biilding A ship canal, to commect the imme
diate harbor of the city with the ocean. citubscription of scoeng mated that the work will cost $\$ 400$
Po. Such a canal, $i t$ is thought, will greatly inerease e the inportance
Wilming ton as a s eapport town. The President has approved the
bill for the construction of eight
sloops of war. The U. S. Navy needs additional war ships. It is too weak
tit cope with nhy of the tgrant naval
powers of the worrd. opposition was made to the till in Congress on
the groind that as we are at peace

- with all the world no increase of our war foree was necessary; but the
opinions of those kpha wisely believe in preparing for war in times The government has determined Mormons. And "the elected of The
Lord", "s they style themselves, are
greanty frightened thereat. The laws
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that the Brighamites are badty that the Brighamites are badly
ecared and are preparing to flee th
country, to escape the lav, Such a abomination as this "Church of the
Lotter-Day Ssints," should hav have
been eradicated from our country long ago.
A Spurrixg Aprasi-Here is a New Yorke, was aboutt to eat break New
breakfast. The farmer answered that the
breakisit would soon be erady, and politely suggested ta the tramp that
in consideration of the foocthe was to get he would like him to spli The pedlar took the axe, but in-
stean of spliting the woa, he defty
split the farmer's head, ardd hed.



## Constitutional nevorm.

Senator Cunningham appears to
lead the party who favor Reform in
the organic law of this State. In a recent and very able speech he give
his views at length. He thinks the co
fective, and that the defects are s
grave as to demand the immediat In the words of Mr. Cunningham pensive; it is sous and it is too ex-
and provides for such a needlings, expensire polity, that it ought to be
entirely revised." He says further is At is evident that our constitution so obscure in some
points and so intricate in others
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| duction of the judicial force, are some <br> of the reform meseures which tre advocates. <br> As a representative of those who advocate reform, his views, are worthy of alleatbil. <br> Our system of government is fa from perfect; and the General Assemibly could do nothing better for the State than to make such changes in our fundamental law as wisdom and the experience of tlie past few years point out. The constitution was fashioned by the hands of Radicals, and whe have neter yet heard of any thing goo 1 coming from the hands of Radieal Law Makers. $\qquad$数 <br> LEGISLATURE OR NORTII CAROhina. |
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## SENATE.

路 Introduction of Bills,
By Mr. Lo
eve, a bill in relation to By Mr. Endine of Columbus, a bill
amend sections 204, 260, 270, and By Mr. Welch, a Cesolution of in Lunatic Asylum. The resolution re quires a reportor the number of namies
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mates of the Asylum.

The hour of 12 having arrived, the
pecial order for that hour was the Constitutional Amendments.
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of the Utiversity be taken from the
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second reading by the same vote a Bill in rellation to Federat and
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the same requirements as providec the same requirements as provided
for in the late peoclamationtor Pres
ident Grant.) Bill passed its secons reading by the same yote as above.
Bill in relation to public charities
passed, by 36 to 7 , on its second read ing. Bill to change the sessions of the
General Assembly to bienninl instead of annual, passed its second reading
by 88 to 4 . Mr. Macabe not voting.
Bilt in relation to the term of $E$. ecutive officers. Providing that the
term shall be two years instead of four, failed to pass by vote of 20 aye Bo 13 nays-strict party vote.
Bill in relation to abolition of
townships and to come bit townships and to come back to the
old precinct system, failod by a vote
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ceits per mile, also failed by 33 Mr. Flemiming thought the 33 votes
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number 49. He therefre appealee.
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The Seenate sustained the iuling o Mr. Humphrey, who had voted in
the negative, moved to reconsider th vote and that the consideration Ot o'cleck to-morrow. Adopted.
On motion of Mr. Morelend, Guilford, the bills that had passe be engros
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