CAPTIONS OF LAWS

PASSED BY THE General Assembly of N. Carolina, AT ITS SESSION OF 1856--'7.

PUBLIC LAWS.

REVENUE. 1. An Act to amend the 99th chapter of the Revised Code, entitled Revenue. [Wo give only the alterations made in the Rev. enue Act of 1854-'55-the parts not altered being still in force. On every \$100 worth of land, including improvements thereon and entries of laud, a tax of 15 cents. Or all taxable polls, 50 cents. Discontinues the tax heretofore levied for the Insane Asylum. On turnpike tollgates, \$15; on other gates permitted to be erected across roads. \$5; on public ferries a tax equal to seven times the largest toll demanded; on toll bridges, \$15. On studs and jacks, \$6. unless the price for a season be more than that sum, and then the tax to be the highest season price. Owners of such animals, living out of the State, and standing them in it, to pay the tax forthwith to the sheriff. On every dollar of nett interest, over \$6, a a tax of four cents. Upon every dollar more than \$6 of nett dividend or profit, upon money invested in steam vessels of twenty tons burden and upwards, or in stocks of any kind, or in shares of any incorporated or trading company, whether in or out of the State, and including bank dividends, bonds and certificates, of debt of any other State, a tax of four cents. On every \$100 employed in negro trading 331 cents-in any other species of trade, whether carried on with cash or upon credit, 20 cents. Upon each sulky, gig, buggy, barouche, carriage and other pleasure vehicle. of the value of \$50 and upwards, one per that worn by females, of as great value as \$25, a tax of 11 per cent. on the value thereof. On each gold watch in use, \$1 25; on each silver or other watch, 30 cents; on each harp, \$2 50; on each piano-forte, \$1,on dirks and sword canes, 65 cents. On licensed retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, &c., \$30. On gold headed walking canes, 50 cents; on silver headed canes, 25 cents. On all keepers of houses of public entertainment, whether in town or country, whose receipts amount to \$300 or more, a tax of one-fourth of one per cent. On every public billiard table, \$125, unless there be more than one kept in the same in that case a tax of \$65 on each additional one. On private billiard tables, \$25 each. On each bowling alley, \$50;-and on each additional one kept by the same person, \$15. On each livery stable, \$25. On each pack of playing cards sold. 35 cents, to be paid by the seller. On all peddlers of patent soaps, patent medicines, razors, razor strops, toochache remedies, &c., a tax of \$10 for each county in which they peddle. On persons putting up lightning rods, \$30 for each county. On daguerreotypists, ambrotypists and photographists, \$10 for each county in which they take likenesses. On each mortgage deed, marriage contract and deed in trust, \$1. On marriage licenses, \$1 each. Taxes imposed on retailers, ordinaries and inns. and tavern keepers, peddlers, billiard tables, bowling alleys and livery stables to be paid in advance to the sheriff. On every merchant, merchant tailor or jeweler, onethird of one per cent. on all goods, wares, &c., except ready-made clothing; and on the amount of purchases of ready-made clothing, whether for males or females, one per cent. On every merchant, apothecary, druggist or other dealer, consignee or agent, selling at wholesale or retail, spirituous liquors, wines or cordials, five per cent. patent medicines to pay 331 per cent. on the value. On commission merchants, two per cent. on their commissions. Auctioners to pay five per cent. on the value of goods sold by him when such goods are brought into the State by non-residents .-Merchants to pay their tax to sheriffs on the 1st of April. On peddlers of riding vehieles manufactured out of the State. \$40 for each county; on all horses and mules brought into the State for sale, \$12 50 in each county. Both these items to be paid in advance to the sheriff. Every person, fine not to be less than \$25.1 whether by agency or otherwise, engaged in baying and selling riding vehicles, not of the manufacture of this State, to pay a chases. On amount of purchases of parts of such vehicles brought from abroad, onehalf of one per cent. All manufactures, of whatsoever clalling, to pay a tax of onepurchases made out of the State. On dentists, physicians, lawyers, State and county officers, persons in the employ of corporate and private companies, and all persons, ministers of the Gospel excepted, whose practice, salaries or fees, or all of them together, shall yield an annual gross income of \$500, a tax of \$5; and for all sums so received over \$500, a tax of one per cent. On each attorney's license granted, \$15 .-On all insurance companies in the State, \$100; and on all agencies of such companies incorporated out of the State, \$100 for each county in which an agency may be ty in which they may deliver packages .county in which they exhibit. On stage and theatrical companies, rope dancers, slight of hand perfermers, tumblers, &c., \$40 for each county. On exhibitors of natural curiosities not already mentioned, \$20 for each county. On singers, dancers, lecturers, &c., for reward. \$10 for each county. The comptroller to have printed forms of tax lists sent to each county court clerk. Clerks to return an abstract to the comptroller on or before the 1st day of June .-

Sheriffs and other receivers of public money

last day of June and the first day of Octo-

time at which he may settle with the comptroller, a list of all moneys which he may have received from the clerks of court, or as double taxes, from taxes imposed on unlisted property, or on merchants, merchant tailors, jewelers, licensed retailers by small measure, houses of public entertainment. ordinary or inn keepers, billiard tables, bowling alleys, stage players, sleight of hand performers, rope dancers, tumblers, wire dancers, circus riders, equestrian performers, exhibitors of natural or artificial curiosities, apothecaries, druggist, non-resident owners of studhorses and jackasses, horses and mules brought into the State for sale, sellers of carriages, buggies and other riding vehicles, manufacturers of riding vehicles on the sums of the purchases brought out of the State of any pieces or parts of such riding vehicles, and on all other manufacturers, upon the sums or amount of their purchases made out of the State, peddlers, brokers, insurance companies, agencies of banks incorporated out of the State. exhibitors of menageries, singers, dancers, ethiopian serenaders, performers for reward on musical instruments, and other exhibitors for public amusement or reward, dealers in spirituous liquors, livery stables, county registers, auctioneers, commission merchants, and on any and all other subjects for which he ought to account. 2. An act to extend the provisions of an

the court of pleas and quarter sess

act passed by the General Assembly at its session of 1854-'5, entitled "An act to extend the time for perfecting titles to land heretofore entered." [Extends the provisions of said act to January 1, 1859.]

3. An act to authorize the inspectors of naval stores in the town of Wilmington to guage the article of spirits of turpentine .-[Allows inspectors five cents for each and cent. on the value thereof. Upon gold and every cask or barrel guaged. No other silver plate and ornamental jewelry, except person to guage under a penalty of \$100. 4. An act for the benefit of the Insane

> Asylum. [Appropriating \$35,000 for erecting enclosures, supplying water, &c.] 5. An act concerning the coupon bonds of the State. [Authorizes the public treas

50; on each pistol and bowie knife, \$1 25; urer to issue coupon bonds of the denomination of \$500.] 6. An act to provide for the better secur-

ing costs in actions of ejectment. [Defendant to give bond for payment of costs, in case of failure, to successfully defend the

7. An act to declare the meaning of that portion of the Revised Code which relates to fire-hunting by night. [True intent and meaning of the act is to prevent fire-hunting for deer with a gun or guns in the night

8. An act to secure the holders of the coupon bonds of this State against loss by accident, &c. [The public treasurer to register such bonds, with amount, number, date. &c., in a book to be kept by him, and such registry to be evidence when the bonds are lost or destroyed. Such registered bonds to be transferable only at the office of the public treasurer.]

9. A supplementary act to take the sense of the people of the State relative to the proposed amendment to the Constitution .-People to vote for or against Free Suffrage on the first Thursday in August, 1857.]

10. An act concerning registration of Sheriff's bonds, &c. [Sheriff's and Constable's bonds to be registered in the register's office, and certified copies from the register's book to be read in evidence when the original bond is lost or destroyed.]

11. An act to amend the 8th section of the 45th chapter of the Revised Code .-Strikes out the word "seizure" in the 6th line and inserts "sale."]

12. An act to repeal in part the 17th section of the 85th chapter of the Revised Code. [When a master of a vessel, on the Cape Fear river, refuses a pilot, such pilot shall be entitled to the full pilotage, as though on the capital employed. Agents selling he had performed the service. Repeals the law to the contrary. ]

13. An act to amend an act, entitled "Au act supplemental to an act, entiled an act to lay off and establish a county by the name of Polk," passed at the session of 1854 -'55. [Courts to be held and records kept at the town of Columbus, in said county.] 14. An act to amend the Constitution of

the State of North Carolina. [The Free 15. An act concerning gaming. [Playing

at a Faro bank or table a misdemeanor-16. An act to extend the time for regis-

tration of grants, deeds and other conveyances. [Allows a further time of two years tax of one per cent on the sum of their pur- from the passage of this act. Does not apply to mortgages and conveyances in trust, nor to marriage settlements.]

17. An act to amend section 6 and repeal section 7 of chapter 36 of the Revised half of one per cent. upon the sums of their | Code, entitled currency. [Repeals the clause making it penal to pass or receive one and two dollar bills. ]

18. An act to amend section 7, chapter 17, of Revised Code, concerning cattle and other stock. [Makes the killing of cattle, &c., on railroads prima fucie evidence of negligence. The benefit of the act not to apply, unless suit is brought within six

19. An act concerning the Clerks of the Supreme Court. [Declares that 25th section, 102d chapter of Revised Code is applicable to each of the clerks of said court.]

20. An act concerning the Com. Schools 3d Monday in June and December.] established. On all agencies of banks in- of N. Carolina. [Chairman to be elected on corporated out of the State, a tax of \$500. | the 3d Monday in April-their official bonds On express companies, \$10 for every coun- to be good and valid against them and their securities until renewed, or until final set-On circus and menageries, \$75 for each | tlement-sheriff's to pay over taxes collected for school purposes to chairmen on the first Monday in October of each year .-General superintendent to furnish printed blank notices of the election of committees, &c. Sheriff's to post such notices. Board of Superintendents to allow reasonable com- the institution.] pensation to examining committees. General superintendent to collect and consolidate the common school laws, &c. &c .-

the general superintendent's annual report.] 21. An act to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the Literary Fund. [Proto settle with the comptroller between the vides for the distribution of said fund to the counties recently erected, or which may ber. The sheriff to return, upon oath, to hereafter be erected ]

22. An act assenting to the purchase, by ty court of Crayen more time to make out his county, at the term next preceding the the United States, of a certain parcel of land on the Cape Fear river, as a site for a marine hospital and pest house.

23. An act to create a sinking fund .-[Hons. Thos. Buffin, W. N. Edwards and D. L. Swain, commissioners of said fund .-All revenues derived from the State's stock in railroads, plankroads, &c., to constitute the sinking fund. ]

24. An act to prevent the felling of timber in Eno river, in the county of Orange, and Fisher's river in the county of Surry, Jenning's creek in the county of Davidson, and McAlpin's creek and Big Sugar creek and its four principal tributaries of the same name in the county of Meeklenburg.

25. An act concerning trials before justices of the peace. [Extends the provisions of the act concerning the places of trial to Brunswick county.]

26. An act to authorize the examination of the wife in certain cases. [Makes the wife competent to give evidence against the husband in prosecutions for assault and battery by him on the person of the wife.]

27. An act to establish standard weights of grains, &c. [Does not prohibit the buying and selling by measure. Penalty \$20 for taking more weight, per bushel, than fixed.]

28. An act to amend the 60th and 73d sections of the 99th chapter of the Revised Code, entitled Revenue. [Real estate to be listed in the county in which it is situated. If lying partly in one county and partly in another, it is to be listed in the county in which the owner resides, if he resides in either. If he resides in neither county, the land is to be listed in the county in which the greater portion lies.]

29. An act to provide for the maintainance of the Insane Asylum.

30. An act concerning the institution of the deaf and dumb and the blind. 31. An act to alter the time of holding the

superior courts in Davie and Alexander. 32. An act to repeal the 12th section of chapter 44 of the revised code, relating to

33. An act further prescribing the duties of the public treasurer.

34. An act to correct a mistake in the laws of 1854-'55, chap. 131, sec. 4.

## PRIVATE LAWS.

1. An act to give additional authority to the commissioners of the town of Tarboro'. Authorizes them to sell burial lots in the Tarboro' cemetery; also to sell a portion of the town commons, and to extend the corporate limits.] 2. An act to amend an act entitled "an

act to incorporate the Trustees of Davidson College," passed in the year 1838. [The amount of real and personal estate belonging to said corporation not to extend \$500,-000. Vests all title or interest of the State and the University in the estate or effects of the late Maxwell Cambers in the above

3. An act to authorize the securities of John P. Bridges, deceased, late sheriff of Hertford county, to collect arrears of taxes

due for the year 1853 and 1854. 4. An act to incorporate the N. Carolina

and New-York Steamship Company. 5. An act to repeal the 11th section of the act passed in 1854-'55, entitled "an act to empower the commissioners of the town of Wilmington to establish streets in said town, and for other purposes."

6. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cherokee Turnpike Company," passed at the session of 1854-'55. 7. An act to amend and consolidate the acts incorporating the Jonathan's Creek and Tennessee Mountain Turnpike Company, in the county of Haywood.

8. An act to incorporate the town of Rockingham, in the county of Richmond. 9. An act to incorporate the town of Yadkinville, in Yadkin county.

10. An act to amend the charter of the Fayetteville and Western Plankroad Company, and for other purposes. 11. An act to amend the charter of the

the session of 1850-'51. 12. An act to incorporate the town of

Troy, in Montgomery county. 13. An act to incorporate the town of Thomasville, in Davidson county.

14. An act to authorize Plankroad and Turnpike companies to use stone and gravel in the construction and repair of their

15. An act to protect the citizens of the town of Wilson. 16. An act to incorporate the Macon

County Turnpike Company. 17. An act to authorize and empower the sureties of James A. Brown, late sheriff of Pitt county, to collect arrears of taxes due for the years 1852 and 1853.

18. An act to incorporate the town of Salem, in Forsythe county. 19. An act to amend the act incorporateing the Wilmington Savings Bank, pass-

20. An act to revive and amend an act incorporating the Camden and Pasquotank New Cut Canal Company. 21. An act to change the name of "New

Institute," in Iredell county, to "Olin." 22. An act to change the time of holding the Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Chowan county. [Changes the time to 4th Monday in March and September, and

Waynesville, in Haywood county.

24. An act to alter an act to incorporate the Trustees of the New Institute, in Iredell county. [Changes the name to Olin High School. Increases the number of the Trustees to fifteen; and grants the privilege of erecting the school into a college when \$40,000 shall have been subscribed poses. as a permanent fund for the endowment of

25. An act to authorize Samuel S. Biddle to build a bridge across Neuse river, in Governor to have printed 1,000 copies of Craven county.

26. An act concerning the militia in 27. An act to increase the pay of witnes-

ses in Duplin, Rowan and Robeson coun-

29. An act to incorporate the town

Marion, in McDowell county. 30. An act to abolish jury trials in the

county courts of Polk county. 31, An act enfarging the powers of Green Hill Academy, in Haywood county.

32. An act to regulate the fishing with seines in North river. [Prohibits fishing with seines from 7 o'clock, p. m. on Saturday until sunrise on Monday morning of each and every week. Penalty \$100.

33. An act to extend the time of pay ment of the bonds due from the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company to the State. [Gives five years from 1st January 1857,-interest to be paid semi-annually.] 34. An act to incorporate the Albemarle

and Suffolk Railroad Company. 35. An act to incorporate the American Exchange Mining and Smelting Company. 36. An act to amend an act incorporating the town of Stricklandsville, in Duplin

county; and to incorporate the commissioners of said town. 37. An act to amend the charter of the Atlantic and North-Carolina Railroad Com-

38. An act extending the powers of the

Roanoke Valley Railroad Company. 39. An act to incorporate the Salem

Cemetery Company. 40. An act to amend an act incorporat ing the Quallatown and Oconalufta Turnpike Company, in Jackson county.

41. An act to incorporate the trustees of Mount Olivet Academy in Randolph county 42. An act to revise and consolidate the charter of the City of Raleigh. [Extends its limits.]

43. An act to authorize the wardens of the poor of Rutherford county to sell and convey the lands on which the poor-houses

44. An act to amend the charter of Carolina Female College, in Anson county .-Allows the trustees to hold proporty to the amount of \$150,000.

45. An act to incorporate York Collegiate Institute, in Alexander county.

46. An act concerning the courts of Granville county.

47. An act to amend an act incorporating the town of Graham, in Alamance 48. An act to incorporate the Warren-

ton Female Academy. 49. An act to amend an act for the better regulation of the town of Clinton.

50. An act to prevent the sale of spirit uous liquors within two miles of Western Carolina Male Academy in Cabarrus coun-

51. An act to incorporate the town of Albemarle, in Stanly county. 52. An act to incorporate the Garysburg

and Windsor Railroad Company. 53. An act for the better government of

the town of Gatesville, in Gates county. 54. An act to restore jury trials in the County Courts of Robeson county.

55. An act to amend an act incorporating the Western N. C. Railroad Company. Authorizes the directors to open books of subscription for \$200,000 or 300,000, or some intermediate sum, and when five per cent. on such subscriptions is paid in the State to subscribe double the amount subscribed by individuals. First section of the road to extend to Morganton. Road to be located within two miles of Newton, or a branch built to that village. Directors authorized to open books of subscription to an amount sufficient to meet one-third of the expense of second section (which second section shall extend from Morganton to a point not more than ten miles east of the western portal of the Swananoa tunnel) and the State's subscription of two thirds, not to be called for until the first section is completed and equipped. Subscriptions by counties to be made by a vote of the people, after the amount is determined on

by a majority of the magistrates.] 56. An act concerning the bank of Cape Fear. [Repeals the 17th, 18th and 22d sections of the charter granted last session. Western Plankroad Company, passed at Gives authority to issue bills not less than \$3. General Assembly, within five years, may increase the capital stock to \$3,000,-000-the State to be allowed to take as much stock in it as in the bank of the State.] 57. An act to incorporate the town of Townsville, in Granville county.

58. An act to establish a Superior Court n Harnett county. 59. An act to incorporate the town of

Burnsville, in Yancy county. 60. An act to revive the charter of the

Neuse river manufacturing company and for other purposes. 61. An act to re-charter the Bank of the

State of North-Carolina. [Extends the corporate existence of the bank to 1885 .-Increases the capital stock, from \$1,500,-000, to \$3,000,000; the State to take a half a million, to be paid in annual instalments of \$125,000, in State bonds; and individuals may within twelve months, take \$1,000,000; and whatever amount of the latter sum may remain unsubscribed at the end of the twelve months, may be taken by the State, in bonds. New subscribers to have the preference over the present stockholders in taking stock. The tax is thirty cents per share, but may be increased to \$1. Dividends may be taxed to the same extent (but no further) as interest on money loaned. Bank required to loan \$200,000 to the State on sixty days notice. A certain amount of one and two dollar notes may be issued. The other provisions are similar to those in other bank char-

62 An act to incorporate the Mountain Railroad Company. Road to extend from 23. An act to incorporate the town of some point on the Western N. C. Railroad, in Catawba county, to or near the town of

63 An act to incorporate the North Carolina Gas, Coal and Transportation compa-64 An act to incorporate the town of

Columbus, in Polk county. 65 An act to extend the charter of New Garden boarding school, and for other pur-66 An act to amend the charter of the

town of Hillsboro'. 67 An act to amend the charter of the Indian Grave Gap turnpike road-68 An act to incorporate the Hyde coun-

ty steamboat joint stock company. 69 An act to incorporate the Male and Female academy in Greensboro'.

70 An act concerning the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal. [The company to surrender the bonds guaranteed by the State. and the State to take stock to the amount 28. An act to allow the clerk of the coun- of \$250,000, payable in six per cent. coupon bonds running 30 years. When \$200, 000 shall have been subscribed and paid by

individuals, the State to pay \$100,000 more. Company authorized to increase its capital stock to a sum not exceeding \$1,500,000. 71 An act concerning a public road in Yancy and Burke counties. (Road from some point on New Road to Piedmont

Springs, and by way of Cranberry Iron works to the Tennessee line.) 72 An act concerning pilots at Ocracoke

and Hatteras Inlets. 73 An act concerning Greenville and French Broad Railroad. (Authorizes the company to construct the northern portion of the road, with such guage as they choose Directors may call for instalments of ten

74 An act to incorporate the Cheraw and Coalfields Railroad Company. (Capital stock not more than \$2,000,000. No aid from the State.)

75 An act for the completion of the At lantic and North-Carolina Railroad. (Public Treasurer to loan the Company a sum not exceeding \$400,000, and the road to set aside its profits as a sinking fund to pay the debt and interest. State to take a mortgage on the road.) 76 An act to authorize the North-Caro-

ina Railroad Company to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding \$350,000, running ten years, and to bear eight per cent. in-77 An act to amend the charter of the

Wilmington and Rutherford Railroad Company. (Takes off certain restrictions.) 78 An act to repeal an act to fix and settle the dividing line between Chatham and Alamance counties.

79 An act to incorporate the trustees of the Female College of the Methodist Protestant Conference of North-Carolina. 80 An act to incorporate the trustees of Warsaw High School, in Duplin county. 81 An act to incorporate the town of dermanton, in the counties of Stokes and

82 An act to amend the charter of Pittsborough.

83 An act relating to the Fayetteville and Albemarle Plankroad Company. (May use other materials than plank in the construction of the road from Little's Mills to Albemarle. Dividends to be made 1st of February and August.

84 An act to exempt from taxation and to fix the rate of interest on the bonds of the North Carolina Railroad Company. 85 An act to incorporate the Yadkin Manufacturing Company in Montgomery

county. 86 An act to authorize certain free per sons of color to reside in Northampton county for the space of eighteen months. 87 An act to incorporate the town of

88 An act to incorporate the Male and Female Academy in Swansboro', N. C. 89 An act to incorporate the Sheperd's Point Land Company.

90 An act to alter the line between Wilkes and Caldwell counties. 91 An act to amend the 6th section of the 120th chapter of the Revised Code, con-

cerning wreck sales. 92 An act to incorporate the Oak City Guards of Raleigh 93 An act concerning the public road in Wilkes and Caldwell counties.

94 An act to lay off and establish a pubic road in the counties of Davie and Davidson, and to establish a public ferry across the Yadkin river.

95 An act to incorporate the Currituck Hotel Company. 96 An act to incorporate the Currituck

Steamboat company.

97. An act to amend various acts incorporating the town of Salisbury. 98. An act to provide for the appoint-

ment of inspectors of wood and fish for the town of Wilmington. 99. An act requiring the weighing of all cotton sold in the town of Wilmington. 100. An act to repeal, in part, the act reventing the felling of timber in Big and

101. An act concerning fishing in Salmon reek, Bertie county. 102. An act to amend an act incorporatng the bank of Clarendon.

103. An act to amend an act of 1852-'53 o improve a road in Ashe county. 104. An act to alter the time of holding the county courts of Davie county.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1 A Resolution concerning the distribution of the Geological report. copies to clerks and reporters.) 2 Resolution in favor of James Blevins. Secretary of State to issue a grant to

3 Resolution in favor of J. H. DeCarteret & Son. 4 Resolution in favor of Mrs. Martha

5 Resolution in favor of W R Baird.

6 Resolution in favor of Bedford Sherrell. 7 Resolution in favor of John Foster. 8 Resolution in favor of Saiah Avery. 9 Resolution in favor of Joseph Ramsay. 10 Resolution in favor of Quentin Busbee.

11 Resolution in favor of Thomas Diggs. 12 Resolution in favor of Francis L. lawks, D. D., allowing him access to the records and library of the State. 13 Resolution concerning the Cape Fear and Deep rivers.

14 Resolution for the relief of William M Phea, County Court Clerk of Haywood. 15 Resolution in favor of the agent appointed under the resolution of the last Gen. eral Assembly, to procure documentary vidence in relation to the history of North

16 Resolution remitting a fine imposed on William M. Daniel, Clerk of the County Court of Halifax. 17 Resolution concerning wood.

18 Resolution in favor of a Naval Depot t Beaufort, N. C. 19 Resolution in favor of Mrs. Eliza Iemphill.

20 Resolution in favor of James Morri-

21 Resolution in favor of Elizabeth Kissam, administratrix of Samuel Kissam. 22 Resolution concerning the coupons in the Comptroller's office. (Goxernor, Treasurer and Comptroller to procure some suitable instrument to cancel said coupons.) 23 Resolution in favor of James Melvin, sheriff of Bladen county. 24 Resolution in favor of E. D. Davis,

sheriff of Jackson county. 25 Resolution in favor of Alex. Johnson. sheriff of Cumberland county. 26 Resolution in favor of the Geological eport to the Engrossing Clerks and Door-

keepers.

27 Resolution in favor of Joseph Clarke. 28 Resolution in favor of Thos H Willie. 29 Resolution in favor of J M Lovejoy. 39 Resolution in favor of P. H. Dozier. 31 Resolution concerning the Executive 32 Resolution authorizing the Literary

Board to change the debt due them by the State into State bonds. 33 Resolution authorizing the Governor o furnish the Departments of the General Sovernment with the Acts of Assembly. 34 Resolution in favor of Sarah Charlton.

35 Resolution in favor of Samuel Wiliams & Son. 36 Resolution in favor of Henry Trout-

37 Resolution concerning the Geological Cabinet. (To be kept by the State Librarian, who is allowed therefor \$50 a year.) of the two Houses \$125 extra.

39 Resolution concerning the statute of Washington. (Governor to contract with Mr. Hubard for the bronze statute of Wash-

40 Resolution in favor of Lemuel Wilkerson, A. C. Murdock and Hurdle & Hurdle. 41 Resolution authorizing the Public

Treasurer to borrow money.

42. Resolution in favor of Frank N. Roberts and R. M. Orrell.

43. Resolution requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the clerks and sheriffs with copies of the Revenue law. 44. Resolution concerning the Secretary of State. (Authorizes Mr Page, deputy, to

countersign grants in the name of his prin-45. Resolution in favor of James Roberts 46. Resolution requesting the assistant clerks to collect and arrange the records of

their respective Houses. 47. Resolution increasing the fees of the Governor's private secretary.

48. Resolution in favor of the Doorkeep-

49. Resolution in favor of B. H. Stanmire. 50. Resolution in favor of B. Henline. 51. Resolution in favor of Jas. Blount. 52. Resolution in favor of W. Watson. 53. Resolution in favor of W. J. Savage.

## ------BANK OF THE STATE AND BANK OF CAPE FEAR.

The bill to re-charter the Bank of the State of North-Carolina, introduced into the Senate by Mr Wilder, having been amended in that body so as to render it nearly, if not entirely the same as the charter granted Mrs. Pardessus was thrown between the two years ago, finally passed, and was transmitted to the Commons. On the third reading, in the latter body, on motion of Mr Bledsoe, the Senate bill was stricken out, and a bill to re-charter the same Bank, introduced by him some weeks since, was substituted; and this bill, after being amended in several particulars, received the sanction of the Commons, and went to the Senate, where it was passed to enrolment by a large majority.

This bill extends the corporate existence of the Bank of the State of North-Carolina to 1885. It increases the capital stock, now \$1,500,000, to \$3,000,000-the State to take a half million, to be paid in annual instalments of \$125,000, in State bonds; and individuals may, within twelve months, take \$1,000,000; and whatever amount of the latter sum which may remain unsubscribed at the end of twelve months, may be taken by the State. New subscribers are to have preference over the present stockholders in taking stock. The tax is at present thirty cents per share, and the limit, beyond which the Legislature cannot go, one dollar; but the dividends the longer you stay away the better I like may be taxed to the same extent (and no further) as interest on money loaned. The Bank is required to loan the State \$200,000 on sixty days' notice. There is also a provision for issuing to a certain amount. one and two dollar notes.

A bill, also introduced by Mr Bledsoe, to establish a Sinking Fund, has passed into a law. The Commissioners named in the law are Judge Ruffin, Hon. D. L. Swain, and Hon. Weldon N. Edwards. The Fund is to be composed of dividends on the preferred stock in the North-Carolina Road, the tax on the stock of the Bank of Cape Fear and the Bank of the State, and of dividends derived from the State's stock of \$500,000 in the Bank of the State, and \$500,000 in the Bank of Cape Fearprovision having been made for subscribing the same amount, to be paid in bonds, to the latter as to the former Bank. These stocks are to be held in the name of the Sinking Fund, and that Fund is pledged to redeem the bonds on which they are based, at par value. If the Banks make ten per cent, the difference, per annum, in favor of the Sinking Fund, after paying to the Banks the interest on the bonds, will be \$40,000.

The objectionable restrictions imposed by the last Legislature, which granted the charter, on the Bank of Cape Fear, have also been removed; and the two Banks have, we learn, been placed on the same footing in every respect, with the exception of the power conferred on the Bank of the State to issue small notes. Any future Legislature may, however-and it is so provided in the charter-restrict the State Bank to not less than three dollar notes.

These are important and valuable measures and their author, Mr Bledsoe, is entitled to much credit for the zeal and ability with which he has pressed them on the attention of the House of Commons. It is impossible to meet every objection, or to secure every desirable feature in Bank charters. The charter of the Bank of the State is believed to be a just and liberal one; and the stockholders, it is thought, will promptly accept it .- Raleigh Standard.

Election.—On Saturday last a vote was taken on the five gallon law, which was negatived by a very decided majority in favor of License. The vote stood thus:

For License. Against License,

We learn that there will be several applications made for License to sell spirits by the drink. This result was occasioned principally from the fact that the law had not the beneficial effects as was anticipated by its friends; -many, very many who voted for it one and two years ago, voted against it this year .- Salisbury Banner.

SHOCKING DEATH .- The last Weekly News, published in Madison, N. C., says "A body, supposed to be that of Mr Arthur McDonald, a scotchman, who lived in the neighborhood of Leakville, was found frozen about nine miles north of Madison. The body was in rather a strange conditionlying in the snow with shoes, socks, coat and vest off, having a bottle of liquor in one pocket. When drinking, McDonald was accustomed to such strange habits, and the presumption is, that he undressed himself while drunk, on Thursday night, as if going 38 Resolution giving the principal clerks to bed, and being chilled with the severe cold died in that condition."

RACE WITH A LOCOMOTIVE Under this head Mr. Chas. A. Meigs, of the firm of Meigs & Grenleaf, writes to the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Eagle a graphic account of a race that came off on Saturday last be. tween himself and a light one-horse cutter on one side, and a locomotive on the Lone Island Railroad on the other side. M. Meigs was on his way to church with his son and daughter, and Mrs. Pardessus. In Franklin avenue they met the locomotive. which came upon them at a fast rate, with. out any previous notice whatever. M. Meigs' horse was very much frightened and started off along a narrow side path at a furious pace. He says:

"Along this sidepath we dashed, with the locomotive keeping pace, neck and neck with my horse, and within six feet of us, for the distance of about one hundred and twenty-five yards, when on seeing some stone steps ahead, I saw that the only chance for our lives was to get down from this side. path on to the track, ahead of the locomo. tive, and then to outrun it! With this view I urged my horse on and gradually down on to the track; reached it, crossed the track within six feet of the wheels of the tender, and was about to turn my horse parallel with the track and in it, to continue this fearful race for our lives, which was our only chance, when the cutter upset!rails! my daughter Sue just outside the rails, and myself and my son were landed in the snow thirty to forty feet further along the track, outside the rails.

"Mrs. Pardessus, by great presence of mind, rolled over three or four times, and by this means saved her life as the engine passed between herself and Sue! within twelve inches of both their heads! one on each side of it.

"At this point, the engineer stopped his locomotive, and it appears to have been the earliest moment at which he made any attempt to do so. By a most merciful interposition of Divine Providence, we all escapd with our lives, with some very severe bruises, and the horse and cutter escaped utter destruction, although both are very much damaged.

BEAUTIFUL .- A genius whose name we are inadequate to mention, has renowned himself eternally by the following beautiful interrogatory and response. Queschin. What article of jewelry does a donkey's mouth resemble. - Answer. - A bray slit (bracelet.) Mr Snip's wife wrote to her husband in

California, and commenced her letter thus:

'Oh, tell me not that absence conquers love!

GARDINER, Me., June 22, 1854. WM. H. DYER-Dear Sir: I have used two bottles of Prof. Wood's Hair Restorative, and can truly say it is the greatest discovery of the age for restoring and changing the Hair. Before using a I was as gray as a man of seventy. My hair has now attained its original color. You can recommend it to the world without the least fear, as my

A. J. HOWELL MURCHISON & HOWELL, COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

No. 104 Wall Street, N. Y.

case was one of the worst kind.

Feb. 3d, 1857.

Notice. HAVING returned to Charlotte, I am again at

ROBERT GIBBON, M. D. Notice. HAVING obtained Letters of Administration ipon the estate of W. P. Trotter, deceased, I

of T. Trotter & Son, by note or book

account for the last four or five years, to come

forward and pay the same without delay, and thereby save cost, as the concern must be set-THOS. TROTTER, Adm'r and Surviving Partner, 31-tf Feb. 3d, 1857. The Watch and Jewelry business will in the future be conducted by the subscriber, who will

## THOS. TROTTER.

spare no pains or expense to give general satis-

faction. Watch repairing done in a superior man-

ner, and at the shortest notice.

Notice. IN pursuance of a Resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the Western Plank Road Company, at a meeting of said Board held at Charlotte this day, (the 26th January,) I do hereby reques, the Stockholders of said Company to meet at the house of Mr. R. A. Rozzell, in Mecklenburg county, on the 3d day of March

C. C. HENDERSON, President.

N. B .- The securities to the Bonds of said Company are also requested to attend at the same time and place, or to be represented by proxy as securities. C. C. H. TO RENT.

THE MOUNTAIN HOTEL, MORGANTON, No. Ca. THE most eligible and desirable Hotel in the Town of Morganton, N. C., or in the western part of the State, is offered for rent with its furniture, on low and accommodating terms. It has had, and still continues to have the largest share of patronage. Any person desirous of engaging in the business, would de well to call immediate-

ly and examine the premises. Further particu-

lars can be obtained on application to J. M. HAPPOLDT.



THE Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Com my have made arrangements for forwarding all oods consigned to the care of the Company, and destined for any point on the line of the North Carolina Road, free of commissions. If landed on the Company's wharf, there will

be no charge for wharfage or drayage; but these expenses will be incurred if landed on any other wharf, and will be added to the freight on the way-bills, to be collected on delivery, by the North Carolina Railroad Company.
N. B.—To avoid detention at Wilmington, it s essential that the amount of freight by vessels shall, in all cases, be distinctly stated, in dollars and cents, on each bill of lading, and if goods for more than one person are included in the same

bill of lading, the amount of freight for each consignee must be separately stated. The foregoing notice has been received with direction to publish for the information of all concerned. By order of the Board of Directors. S. L. FREMONT, Eng. & Sup't.

Office of Engineer & Superintendent, Wilmington, N. C. Jan. 28th, 1857. Notes of Hand,

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