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Legislative Proceedings.

SENATE. THURSDAY, Jan 20. '63.

Senate called to order by Speaker Me-

Prayer by the Rev. Henry Hardie.

Journal read. Maj. Willie D. Jones, Senator elect from Wake in place of Col. Russ, appeared, was duly qualified, and took his seat. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING.

porate Vestal's Ford Toll Bridge on the Catawba river. Referred.

the special order for Friday, 12 o'clock.

Mr. Smith of Macon, by leave, presented message to that effect. a resolution requesting the Governor to cor- Mr. Peebles introduced a resolution

to be the property of, and worked on ac- Mr. Amis. count of the State," which was accepted by Mr. Shepherd introduced a resolution A resolution in favor of M. Walker.

proposing to postpone the appointment of Passed its several readings. Justices of Peace until Saturday. Agreed Mr. Richardson intraduced a resolution

session entitled "an Act for the relief of the rules. the families of deceased soldiers"-in Mr. Barringer, asked and obtained leave

of kin. in case of the absence of the father for the to the Treasury. [Allows the Comptroller | Literary Board was read the second time, money due the son, shall be paid the moth- notes. Passed its several readings under table.

ded then passed, and the bill under a sus- Referred. pension of the rules passed its third and

last reading. The Committee on the subject of pur- nesday next. chase of a cotton card machine consists of

Young and Wiggins.

o'clock, Wednesday HOUSE OF COMMONS.

TUESDAY, Jan. 20. The Speaker called the House of Commons to order at half past ten o'clock. The roll was called by the Clerk, and s

quorum being present, the House proceeded to business.

Mr. Foust, of Randolph, and Mr. Smith, of Washington, members elect, from the counties named, were qualified and took their seats.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Hon. R. M. Saunders, transmitting a presentment from the Grand Juries of Polk and Cleaveland counties, relative to the refusal of certain persons to take Confederate notes, and presenting as a public grievance the exemption, from Conscription of Justices also the exemption of Militia Officers passed its second and third readings. within the same age, also, extortion on the necessaries of life. Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Shepherd, a resolution to appoint mittee was concurred in, and the bill a Select Committee of five to enquire into passed its second and third readings. and report if any such protection as the prevent the spread of small pox.

the Governor to communicate to the House if not inconsistent with the public interest, such reports as he may have from General Officers relative to the late raids of the enemy in the Eastern portion of North Carolina. Concurred in.

Under a suspension of the rules the bill House asking its concurrence. passed its several readings and was ordered to be engressed and sent to the Sen- Boon, sheriff of Guiltord.

for twelve o'clock, Thursday next. Resolved, By the House of Commons of Rejected. the General Assembly of North Carolina

existence of that city and the protection of its people and homes, mainly to the sideration of this bill manner of the sideration of the sideration of the sideration of this bill manner of the sideration of this bill manner of the sideration of the of its people and homes, mainly, to the sideration of this bill unnecessary, as an zens to obtain passes before they leave the has failed in these respects to provide for Claims, which was read and referred to edits several readings.

We Fowle, from the gallant troops of North Carolina.

lina is a free and independent sovereign Senate. State, and will use all constitutional means to defend her rights and liberties from insult and oppression from whatever quar-

ter it may come The Speaker laid before the House the consideration on its second reading. resignation of Mr. Baldwin, member from Columbus.

Mr. Shepherd announced the death of one of the members from Craven. Writs of election were ordered to fill

the vacancies, on the 29th instant. Mr. Costner introduced a bill to legalize 14.00 the proceedings of a county court of Lin. coln county said proceedings having been irregular. Passed its several readings un- it on the table. der a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Peebles introduced a bill relative to the emancipation of slaves, by last will and testament. Referred.

the Executive office. Passed its several traitors readings under a suspension of the rules. The Speaker laid before the House com-

relative to conscripts; and from Burke, mate business of the Auditor's office. relative to the refusal of a bank or banks tion to lay on the table prevailed. Mr. White, a bill to establish and incor- to receive Confederate notes. Mr. Shepherd moved that a message be

The bill to secure the property of mar- the joint order, to appoint Justices of the ried women with the substitute proposed Peace this day, until Saturday next Carby the Committee, was on motion made ried and the postponement agreed to by vice of process on the Southern Express

chine for the manufacture of cotton cards or to have an act passed making Confeder- reading. ate notes a legal tender. Referred to the A resolution assigning the office of State Mr. Drake moved to amend by inserting | Committee on the Judiciary on motion of Geologist to the Engrossing Clerks. Adop-

Mr. Smith. Referred to a special Com- assigning the room occupied by the State Geologist, for the use of the Engrossing Threadgill. A message was received from the House Clerks, for the residue of the session.

Also, an engrossed bill extending the him to collect arrears of taxes. Passed ment.

case of the death of the mother, to the next of absence for Mr. Flemming for six days. and valorem tax on slaves. Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill to amend Mr. Brown offered an amendment that an Ordinance of the Convention relative

a suspension of the rules. Mr. Eure moved to insert one year in Mr. Brown introduced a bill to amend commissioners passed its several readings.

Messrs. Smith of Macon, Holeman, Adams, was appointed to wait on his Excellency prisoners at Salisbury was referred to the nor Vance: On motion the Senate adjourned to 10 Houses of the Legislature were again assembled, and would be pleased to receive to 10 o'clock, Thursday. any communication he might desire to

> make. Mr. Young introduced a resolution in lect arrears of taxes. Passed its several ment. The journal of Tuesday was read. threatening our remaining scaports and lates to the proposition of guaranteeing by be intimidated in the discharge of its duty readings under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Waddell, from the committee apon to-morrow, at twelve o'clock.

ate the Western North Carolina Copper Mining and Smelting Company. An amendment proposed by the com-

Mr. Waddell, moved a suspension of general health of the people may require to the rules, fixing certain hours for adjournment. Carried, and the House adjourned By Mr. Love, a resolution requesting until ten o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SENATE. WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21.

Senate was called to order at 10 o'clock

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill to stop resolution in regard to the purchase of a pass. interest on any debt where a tender of cotton card machine, reported a substitute Mr. Peebles again adressed the House and orderly people. payment has been made in Confederate authorizing the Governor to correspond against the resolutions. Mr. McCormick introduced a bill to a on the Treasurer for purchase money, if whence the authority was derived to establish and the first and t mend an act passed at the present session deemed expedient to purchase it. The lish this Provost Marshal passport system. and might be prevented in my opinion by of the General Assembly amending an substitute then passed its third reading, Mr. Waddell said that during the early a little prodent legislation. With the conordinance of the Convention to provide and on motion of Mr. Wiggins the rules part of this session that one of his collea-

free and true hearted son of North Caro- 5000 men with the substitute proposing to that the resolution would pass. raise 10,000 volunteers for State defence,

engrossed bill from the House, covering the city of Raleigh, and to obtain passes be- the enforcements of its own acts.

On motion of Mr. Sharpe, the bill, substitute, and amendment were laid on the come when we should inquire whether originally for three years or the war, to After the reading of the letter of the table, and the House bill (commonly called martial law can be declared elsewhere than promote men for gallant and meritorious Secretary of War in regard to the case of the ten regiment bill) was taken up for in the vicinity of the enemy, without some conduct, but on close examination of the Rev. Mr. Graves, Mr. Graham said said he

morrow 12 o'clock. Carried General to pay the Clerk of Harnett, mon his memory was not at fault the Confederey expended by the County for the subsis- ate Congress had granted this power at the good of the service requires it. The On motion of Mr. Young, the resolutions

ny was taken up.

Mr. Wright deprecated the delay which this course would require, stating that the county of Aarnett was in need of the money. It was a just debt and should be paid Mr. Henry, of Bertie, a bill to authorize promptly, as the company had been of the Governor to employ a messenger for great service in arresting and confining the power had been preperly given, and if ges of disloyalty I beg leave again to al-

Mr. Graham coincided with Mr. Sharpe in his views, and thought it improper for the consure, he was for submitting to it. munications from the counties of Catawba, the Legislature to interfere with the legiti-

A message was received from the House concurring in the amendments of the Sensent to the Senate, proposing to suspend ate to the bill to-provide for the families of soldiers dying in the service.

The engrossed bill in regard to the serthe Senate, the House having received a Company, was on motion of Mr. Graham, that body. The amendment was concurred referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A message was received from the House, respond with the Governor of Georgia, in instructing our Senators, and requesting transmitting the following engressed bills favor of Daniel Tucker, of Lincoln county. regard to the purchase of a duplicate ma- our Representatives in Congress to endeav. and resolutions, which passed their first Referred to the Committee on Claims.

A resolution in favor of Gideon B. A bill to legalize certain acts of the Coun-

ty Court of Lincoln County.

ploy a clerk, to sign bonds. A resolution in favor of Charles Bird.

The bill to appoint a Treasurer for the Foy spoke at length.

lieu of six, which amendment was accepted an Act, changing the jurisdiction of the Mr. Graham presented a bill amendatory eration of the special order, the House proby Mr. Brown. The amendment as amon- Courts, and altering the rules of pleading. to the bill passed at the last session, entitled ceeded to the consideration of the Revenue "an act to change the jurisdiction of the bill. On motion of Mr. Watson, the Revenue Courts and the rules of pleading." Order-

the Governor, and inform him that both Committee on Propositions and Grievances. To the Honorable, the General Assembly of North Car-On the motion the Senate then adjourned

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21.

pointed to wait on the Governor, reported tive to a notice published in the city papers you on this subject. that the committee had discharged their from Robert E. Walker, Provost Marshal, The most serious evils with which our in Eastern North Carolina, was entirely duty, and that the Governor would com- requiring the citizens of Raleigh and all generals have to contend are the ineffi satisfactory, though for prudential reas municate with the Legislature in writing other persons to procure passes before leav- cient execution of the conscript law and one I thought it improper to make it ing the city, requesting the Governor to the alarming increase of desertion in the public. On motion of Mr. Shepherd, the House procure from the Confederate Government army. A long abscence from home, and took up for consideration, a bill to author. permits for all members of the General the severe hardships of our rapid and wonlevy an ad valorem tax on slaves. The bill pass and repass from and to Raleigh or duce these effects during a protracted war. to be sent to the Senate with a proposition thought the passage of this bill calculated

did not think that they should be exempt to arrest a deserter, the friends of the latter The House resumed the consideration in this city. He thought the passage of

would pass. He knew of no legal authority crime known to the laws of this State, these for this system of requiring loyal citi- persons who thus shield the deserter from zens to procure passes before they were arrest are liable to no punishment. The allowed to pass. He had himself been consequence is that number of deserters seriously inconvenienced by it. He could see are concealed in many parts of the State, no necessity for it here, and as he thought and banding together for company and

relief for the families of deceased soldiers. were suspended and it was sent to the gues had been arrested by a guard acting from whose commands they are absent, I under the orders of the same Mr. R. E. propose to give absentees from the army Mr. Adams of G., a bill in favor of C. A. Walker that had just issued this card. He without leave, by proclamation, thirty days of the town of Pittsboro. Referred. then had called the attention of the House in which they may return to duty free of Mr. White m ved to smend by inserting to the matter, and an investigation being punishment, and after that time to make McInnis to destil Alcohol. Referred. Mr. Henry, of Bertie, introduced the the name of Joseph Lusk, sheriff of Gas- had, resulted in an appology to the House them liable for the delay, to the severest Mr. Bagley, a resolution of enquiry as to for the indignity. It would have been an penalties of the law. To enable the author- the number of arms furnished by this to be printed and made the special order Mr. Slaughter moved to amend by reseasy matter for this Lieut. Walker to have the sto effect their arrest, I recommend, as of the State of Virginia. Adopted.

The following Bills and resolutions pass tricting them to the period since 1860. excepted the members of the Legislature I had the honor to do it in my regular mesfrom the effects of this order, but it had not sage to you that the militia laws be so ed their third and last reading and were The bill then under a susp usion of the been done. It might be that it was an ef- amended as to subject both officers and ordered to be enrolled. fort on the part of this officer to avenge privates of any particular company or reg-Enquirer and other ill tempered partisan The bill for the relief of persons in cus- himself for the former action of this Legis- iment of the militia to the articles of war, Confederate Flag, to be hoisted, over the papers out and in the State, towards the tody, not in military service, was on lature. He did not know that any such when ordered to perform any duty of this Capitol. Legislature of North Carolina, is alike motion of Mr. Warren, passed over informotive influenced him-could not say kind at the discretion of the Executive; that it did; but it was clearly subject to that power be given the Executive sum. testing witnesses to certain cases.

by bill or otherwise. cause existing to require it, or at least law I find I have no authority to deviate approved the general tone of the commu-Mr. Brown moved to postpone until to- some reason assigned therefor. He wan. from the regular order of promotion by nication, but thought it very improper as ted to reach it by principle. This officer's seniority in the appointment of company the matter was to undergo judicial inves-A resolution authorizing the Adjutant notice gave no authority for his action. If officers. Mr. Sharpe thought this claim should go time had been proposed in Congress, but to the Auditor's Office, and moved to lay had not yet been concurred in by that body. It ion to a commissioned officer, as reward it on the table. more comprehensive, that his friend from Chatham (Mr. Waddell) would accept it.

Mr. Fowle said he wanted to ascertain if

Mr. Waddell said that he preferred his

The question was then put and the substitute concurred in, and Messrs. Fowle, Grissom, Peebles. Foy, and Allison appointed the committee under it.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting an engrossed bill from the House, amending an ordinance of the Convention, providing relief for the families of deceased soldiers, with an amendment by

Mr. Costner introduced a resolution in

Mr. Foy introduced a series of resolutions relative to the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus in Salisbury and other portions of the State. Requiring the Governor to call a special court in Salisbury, for the trial of such citizens of this State as have to the demand for his delivery to the au appears that such enrollment will not

Mr. Foy addressed the House at some A bill to authorize the Governor to em- length in support of the resolutions, tain favor of Gideon B. Threadgill, allowing ploy a messenger for the Executive depart- king strong ground against the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus, and dealing the rights and sovereignty of the State, I the conscript law. The amendment was provisions of the bill passed at the former its several readings under a suspension of A bill to authorize the Treasurer to cm- heavy blows at the tendency to override civil by the militaay power, giving instances A bill to authorize Corporations to lay coming within his own knewledge, of true and loyal citizens baving been arrested and imprisoned, without a hearing. Mr.

On motion of Mr. McKay the House term of six years, not being heard from, to employ assistance in signing Treasury and, on motion of Mr. Matthews, laid on the proceeded to consider a bill from the Senate for the relief of landlords. The bill was General in command of this department, I Government had sent troops at the eleventh A bill granting certain powers to salt amended and passed its several readings.

> A number of amendments were proposed, Bill was made the special order for Wed- ed to be printed and referred to the Com- some of which were concurred in, pending the consideration, the following message call out such portion of the militia as may or subject to conscription.

be to collect arrears of taxes. Passed its sociation, for the delivery of a Lecture besoveral readings.

| Association | Associa favor of Martin Walker, late sheriff, allows oning to the Young Men's Christian As- and it is hoped not without success. Still your early and deliberate attention.

elsewhere within the Corfederate lines, To arrest these delinquents and return them to print. On motion of Mr. McCormick, the House without being subjected to the order of the to duty, the militia have heretofore been Mr. Amis introduced a resolution to tarnish the bright escutcheon of the State. said he was opposed to asking an exemp. cient owing to the many obstacles interpo- journment of the House. Laid over under Government, which was being continually tion for members of the Legislature. He sed by the law. Should an officer start out the rule. while other citizens of the State were held have only to give the alarm and be is spir- of the Revenue Bill, and continued its this bill calculated to bring on a revolution ited out of the way or the officer is resisted consideration until the House adjourned in the State. Mr. Foy said he hoped the resolution by open violence. As desertion is not a to 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

serves the scorn and contempt of every The bill to organize the State reserves of such construction. He therefore hoped marily to drop from the rolls officers guilty of gross and willful neglect of duty, and of Lincoln county. Mr. Fowle proposed the following as a that it be made a crime to shield or harbor Bill to prevent mistakes in lists of taxadeserters or to assist them to avoid cap- bles.

Mr. Fowle thought that the time had mental officers of our regiments raised to print.

This power ought to reside somewhere - the evidence in the case. the will to lift him above the humble posi- House.

in the field. The subject of arresting citizens on charlude to. Many have been recently taken amendment as he did not wish to be dictamuch as he might doubt the propriety of up by the Confederate officers, and with a ted to by the President or any one else as spirit of courtesy and respect for State au- to how be should vote. He would, howevthority, turned over to me for investigation. | er, vote against the bill. and I am yet more unwilling to see them ayes 13, noes 27. recommend the establishing of a commis provisions of the former act. sion for the investigation of charges Mr. Sharpe thought the preamble against all such persons with power to com- premature. mit for trial before the proper tribunal, it The year and nays being called the

sufficient cause appears, &c. am sure that, accompanying as it did the rejected; year 5, nays 37.

ced on its perusal. partment to call out the militia to assist in by their constituents. These troops were repelling it. Having consulted with the asked for State defence. The Confederate concluded to do so, but am at least doubtful hour to North Carolina, for the purpose The hour having arrived for the consid- of my authority to take the step, whilst of indirectly defending Richmond. Other your body is in session. Not wishing to ex- States had their reserves, and he saw no ercise any doubtful authority when your cause of conflict with the General Governpresence and approbation may so easily ment. make it certain, I most respectfully recom- Mr. Lane offered an amendment excepmend that I be authorized immediately to ting from this enrollment those in service On motion of Mr. Waddell, a Committee The resolutions in regard to clothing was received from His Excellency, Gover- be deemed sufficient to meet the present Mr. Lane thought the bill if passed in

I have the honor herewith to transmit about a direct conflict with the conscriptcopies of resolutions on various subjects of | ion, and thought that the troops could be With the flight of time great events have the legislatures of the States of South raised out of citizens exempt from conscripoccurred and are now crowding upon us. Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Alabama, tion, such as magistrates, militia officers, Since your adjournment in December, the forwarded to me by their respective Exe- &c. invaders of our State have concentrated a cutive with a request that they be laid be- Mr. Taylor of C., said that he thought The House met pursuant to adjourn- large force upon our coast, and are again fore you. The most important of these re- the Senate made of such material as not to Mr. Amis introduced a resolution gran. lines of communication. Every prepara- each State of its proportion of the Con. by the attacks of hireling presses and peoting the use of the Commons Halls this ev- tion possible has been made to resist them federate war debt, and to those I invite ple. Thought the passage of the bill a

Mr. Waddell introduced a resolution rela- respectfully to offer a few suggestions to me with the War Department at your the bill would pass. request, in relation to the burning of cotton

Z. B. VANCE. Assembly and the officers of the same to derful campaigns, naturally tends to pro- ments baving been read, they were ordered port the Confederate Government, and

took up for consideration a bill to incorpor- said Robert E. Walker, Provost Marshal. employed with some degree of success; repeal the rule of the House now in force, Mr. Pecbles opposed the resolution, and but latterly they have been found ieneffi- relative to the hours of meeting and ad- the State of hostility to the Confederate

THURSDAY, Jan. 22. Senate met at 10 o'clock. Journal read. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING. it contrary to the law and the rights of our mutual protection, depredate upon the citi- appoint a Joint Select Committee to devise ing this bill the Legislature would be vir-Mr. Smith from the Committee on the people, he hoped that the resolution would zens near them, thus forming a kind of outlawed population in the midst of our quiet Capitolamong the different officers, so as Government, and the other States of the to facilitate the public business. Adopted. Confederacy. He read an act of the Leg-This state of things, ruinous alike to the Mr. Graham, a bill to authorize the Au- islature of Virginia, showing that the rewith the Governor of Georgia, and to draw

Mr. Foy interupted Mr. P. to enquire discipline of our army and the morals of our discipline of our army arms are discipline of our arms are disciplined on the morals of our discipline of our arms are disciplined on the morals of our discipline of our disciplined on the morals of our

Mr. Taylor, a bill to amend the charter

Mr. Hall, a bill authorizing Malcolm

Resolution authorizing the purchase of a

The following Bills and resolutions pass-

Bill to admit proof of handwriting of at-Bill to legalize certain acts of the Court

Bill authorizing the Governor tolemploy a sage of an act changing the time of holding Legislature of N. Carolina or any portion from its provisions those subject to conof her people, so long as they owe the vorm

tigation that publicity had been given to

tence of Capt. Murchison's cavalry compa- one time, but he thought the limitation humblest private in the ranks of the army relating to the carrancy were referred to a had expired, and that an extension of the ought to feel that there is the power and Joint Committee of five on the part of each

A bill to raise Ten Thousand Volunteers resommend that this authority be vested in for State defence, on its second reading, the Executive to be exercised upon proper with Mr Outlaw's amendment requiring recommendations of commanding officers the approbation of the President as to those subject to conscription, pending.

Mr. Hall called for the yeas and nays. Mr. Ellis said he would vote against the

I am at a loss how to dispose of them. I Mr. Brown agreed with Mr. Ellis, and cannot examine them myself, and of course said he would maintain the doctrine of regard it inconsistent with my duty to set | State Rights and States sovereignty at all them at liberty without an examination, bazards. The amendment failed to pass;

placed in the Confederate prison at Salis- Mr. Ellis moved to insert a preamble bury where the tracks of the accused all declaring that the State of North Carolina lead in one direction and the light of old intends no conflict with the Confederate English liberty is never seen. I therefore Government, but merely to carry out the

amendment was lost; yeas 18, nays 24. In this connection I take great pleas. Mr. Murrill offered an amendment to ure in transmitting a letter from 11on. Jas. the effect that no one subject to conscrip-S. Seddon, Secretary of War, in relation tion, shall be enrolled in this State force, to the case of R. J. Graves, and in response unless, in the opinion of the Governor it been imprisoned there, under a suspension | thority of this State, made in obedience to interfere with existing agreements between a joint resolution of your two Houses .- the State and Confederate Government in Admirable in spirit, ample in explanation regard to the enrollment of conscripts, and of the circumstances under which the arrest declaring that the Legislature expresses was made, and in expressions of regard for no opinion as to the constitutionality of

> prompt surrender of the accused, it cannot Mr. Lindsay said he regretted to see a fail to give you the satisfaction I experiendisposition on the part of Senators to retard this bill. He thought its early pass-In view of the threatened invasion of the lage of the utmost importance, and was State, I have been advised by the war de demanded at the hands of this Legislature

Mr Lindsay said he knew of no portion of the State now in the hands of the encmy that had given it the defence its importance entitled it to.

Mr. Copeland opposed the passage of the bill unless Mr. Lane's amendment was The message and accompanying docu- incorporated. Wished to uphold and sup-

Mr. Smith of Macon, briefly advocated the passage of the bill, stating that the conscript law had been enforced more thoroughly in North Carolina than in other

Mr. Young opposed the bill in a speech Mr. Graham, a resolution proposing to of some length. He thought that in pass-

> amendment pending. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THURSDAY Jan. 22. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. J. M. Atkinson. Wednesday's Journal was read.

A communication from the Board of Claims was read and ordered to be sent to the Senate. A message was received from the Sen-

ate proposing to raise a Joint Committee of five, to examine the various apartments of the Capitol, and to assign the rooms to the different officers in such manner as to facilitate public business. Concurred in. Mr. Flynt presented a memorial from citizens of Stokes county, asking the pas-