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STATE LEGISLATURE.

SEEATE.

Monnay, Jan. 19, 1857.

The Speaker announced that the committee of enrolled bills on behalf of the Senate for the present week consist of Mesers. Cunningham, Pool

A memage was received from the House of lommons, stating that they have passed the en-rused resolution concerning the Mexican pro-

Passed first time, and on motion of Mr. Cun ingham, referred to the committee on the ju-

On motion, Mr. Holmes was added to the saittee on corporations in place of Mr. Cor

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town

A bill to incorporate the trustees of Warsaw high school, in Duplin county.

Mr. Thomas of Jackson, a bill to incorporate the forks of the Tenuesce river turnpike company. Read first time and referred to committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Boyd, from committee on propositions and grievances, a bill for the relief of Thos. Wilson Reported back to Senate recommending its pas-A bill to establish the Metropolitan bank, which was the special order for to day 12 o'clock, was, on motion, made the special order for to-morrow,

The bour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the Speaker announced the order of the day to be a bill to incorporate the Western North Carolina

Whereupon, the Senste resolved itself into ommittee of the whole, Mr. Hill in the Chair. After some time being speut, the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Hill reported that the Committee had had said bill under consideration, and instructed him to report the same back to the Senate with amendments, and recommended its passage.

Mr. White of Gaston, offered an amendment to make Newton a point at which the road should pass. Rejected. Mr. White offered another amendment, to re-

seribed to the road. Mr. Avery offered an amendment to the amendment locating the road in less than two miles; or constructing a branch to said town. Adopted.

The smeadment of Mr. White will take effect if the company refuse to comply with Mr. Avery's

lease the citizens of Newton from their stock sub-

Mr. White offered another amendment, requiring the citizens of Catawba county to subscribe \$60,000 more, and touch Newton. Re-

The Lill was ably advocated by Mesus. Avery, White of Gaston, and others, when the bill passed its sno.d rading. Mr. Cherry called for the yeas and pays.

Yeas-17, nays 13. The Senate took a recess. AFTERNOON SESSION.

The order of the day for 8 o'clock (the revenue bill) being called up by the Speaker, On motion of Mr. Cherry it was laid on the

On motion, it was resolved to take up bills of a private nature, on their second and third read-On motion of Mr. Cunningham, the Cheraw and Coalfields railroad was made the order of the

day for Wednesday next at 11 o'clock.

The following bills passed their second and third readings :

A bill to extend the town of Pittsborough, Chatham county. A bill to incorporate the York Institute.

the county of Alexander. A bill to confer a grant of land to Mr. Bell Curteret county Passed over informally.

A bill to incorporate the trustees of the Methedist Protestant Female College possed its second and third readings. A bill to incorporate the town of Graham, Almance county, passed its second and third read-

A bill to authorise Samuel Wells to erect a bridge across Neuse river, passed second and third

A bill to incorporate Chowan College. Laid on A bill to incorporate the Indian grave gap

turnpike company passed second and third read-Senate then adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The House met at 10 o'cleck. Mr. Yancy presented a memorial from certain sitizens of Madison county, in favor of abeliahing our trials in the county courts of that county.
On motion of Mr. Masten, J. G. Hill, Esq. was added to the list of magistrates in Forsythe

The following bills were presented, read, and appropriately referred :
Mr. Gilliam, a bill to charter the Tar River

envication company. Mr. Stubbs, a bill to provide for the inspection ablic road in Ashe county.

On motion of Mr. Mears, a bill to encourage the planting of beds of oysters and clams, was acres for that purpose. A motion to lay the bill on the table was reected-yeas 22, pays 29.

An amendment striking out ten acres and inerting five, was adopted Mr. Jarvis moved that the county of Currituck be excepted from this hill

Mr. Humphrey moved a similar exception in favor of Onsiow county. Both amendments were adopted, and the bill passed its second and third

The order of the day, being the bill to incorporate the Rockingham coalfields railroad company, was taken up, and read second time.

Mr. Settle briefly explained the object of the bill. It asked no aid from the State—merely a bare charter to build the road. It had been as serted this was a Danville connection under another pane. This was a mistake. If gentlamon thought so, he requested them to examine the blill and indeed for the road. Served the special order of the day, viz. The bill to incorporate the bank of the policy of enforcing the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements, in such manner and to such extent "as a and made a per alconoring the law against political cratic party in reference to internal improvements. thought so, he requested them to examine the bill and judge for themselves. But while stating this, he wished it to be known that the Danville cook up the bill to incorporate the Currituck stituents; but after the decision in the Senate, they would not press a connection with Danville.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Jones, the Senate of alavery agitations; and expressed his intention to vate for the bill to vate for the bill for the very reasonstatiuents; but after the decision in the Senate, they would not press a connection with Danville.

A message was received from the House of the people may require, and the means and resources of the Senate to vate for the bill.

Steamboat company. Read second and third times passed and ordered to be engrossed.

A message was received from the House of the people in the Anglo-Saxon rule, and made a very elequent speech against all kinds of alavery agitations; and expressed his intention to vate for the bill.

Mr. Jones supported the bill for the very reasons attent by Mr. Gilliam against it. This going to sea by free negroes was a crying evil, as by wishes, and which would necessarily "burthern

ay January 31, 1857.

Commons proposing to raise a committee of the coalfields.

It is good of his constituents; and while he not impute any improper motives to his friend of introduced this bill, he could not help consing it a Danville or Virginia connection unanother name. His people would be very haffected by it. He hoped the House would mine closely into it, and vote according to its out it is and vote according to its out it is and vote according to its out it is and insert \$5.

Ir. D. F. Caldwell stated that a bill similar to would have passed in 1848, if it had not defeated by the parliamentary tectics of Mr. He thought the friends of this bill bit farward in good faith. His own opinates in favor of the Danville connection, and hought it the policy of North Corolina to that expectation, and was in favor of grant.

Mr. J. B. Joses offered another amendment to strike out \$1 and insert \$5

Mr. White moved to amendment the State Bank had pessed the Senate, and was the order of the day in-merrow. He wished to postpone this one until after the discussion on the other bill, and for that purpose moved to lay the hill on the table at prescut. Adopted.

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Mr. Scales said he was informed that a members of the House had recently asserted that this was a Denville connection in disguise. This he desied, while at the control of the desied, while at the control of the desied. he desied, while, at the same time, he acknowledged that his people ardently desired a consection with Dauville. Providence had blessed Rockingham with coalfields, but their wealth cannot be developed as they are at preset situated. Mr. S. sloquently described the situation of his constituents between the North Carolina railroad and Virginia, without hope of extriention, if this Legislature should deny them this charter.— North Carolina had nothing to fear from Virgin-

North Carolina had nothing to fear from Virgin-ia. Mr. Scales feelingly appealed to the magna-nimity and generosity of the Legislature to give them the privilege of building this road with their own money, and thus enable them to work that wealth of coal, which, when developed, will be equal in value to the whole of North Carolina. If denied, he would tell his people to submit pa-tiently, but not contenredly to this wrong. He opposed the amendments, but would accept the bill, as his constituents were anxious for the rail-

Mr. Ogburn spoke in favor of the bill, and commented on the opposition given by the people of Caswell to this charter.

Mr. Withers said he was not prejudiced agains any road, nor would be log-roll in favor of any scheme; but after due consideration, he would vote against this bill.

Mr. Settle would accept the amendments if it S. made a strong argument in faver of the bill. and regretted that such opposition was made to a bare charter to build a road without expense to

Messrs. Settle and Scates successively stated that if the amendments were adopted, they would accept in order to get the charter.

7. Benbury's amendment to Mr. Badham's amendment was adopted, and then both were re-

jected-yeas 42, nays 43. Mr. Green offered an amendment, prohibiting the road to be built nearer than ten miles to the Virginia line, and forfeiting the charter if they made any connection with any road running out

of the State. Mr. Settle made another elequent appeal if favor of the bill as it was originally introduced. Mr. Bledsoe was in favor of the bill, but would insist upon a clause prohibiting a junction with

any Virginia road. Mr. Soott spoke in favor of the bill. read running nearer to Danville than 19 miles, passed. or nearer than 5 miles to the Virginia line. Mr. Green's amendment was rejected-year

31, navs 50. An amendment offerred by Mr. Bledsoe, was also rejected.

Mr. Settle's amendment was then adopted, and the bill passed its third reading-yeas 73, nays

House then took a recess until 3 o'clock

AFTERNOON SESSION. An ineffectual attempt was made to suspend the rules and pass the Rockingham coalfields

Some bills were passed over informally.

The bill to establish a road and ferry over Pasquotank river, was read the second time. Opposition was made to its passage, on the ground of its interfering with the vested rights of a ferry already established. The bill was sup-

ported by Messrs. Mann and Outlaw, and oppos ed by Messra. Jenkins, Scales and Ferebec. An uninteresting debate ensued, pending which, at 5 o'clock, the House adjourned.

SENATE. TUESDAY, Jan. 20, 1857. mons stating that their branch of the committee avoid trouble with their slaves. To this class of persons this would be a harsh law.

Long, Harrell and Slaughter. A message was received from the House of wood and fish, in the town of Washington.

Mr. Gentry, a bill to lay off and establish a New Institute, in Iredell county. Ordered to be

Mr. Eaton, from the committee on corpora tions, to whom was referred the bill to incorpo-It allowed any person to stake off ten rate Normal College, reported the same back to the Senate with amendments. Mr. Boyd, from the committee on proposition

was referred the bill to ascertain the federal

population of Ashe county, reported the same Mr. Thomas of Jackson, introduced a bill to incorporate the Rich Mountain turnpike company in the county of Haywood. Read first ime and referred to the committee on internal

Mr. Speight moved to amend by striking out three and inserting five. Adopted. The bill as amended was rejected—yeas 12,

паув 19. The bill to attach part of Moore county to Harnet was taken up, and on motion laid on

A message was sent to the House of Commons, stating that the Senate had passed the following bills and resolutions, in which it asked the con-

currence of the House of Commons, viz:

A bill to incorporate the Indian Grave Gap turapike company. A bill to incorporate the Sheppard Point land

company.

A bill to incorporate the Tuckusege land com-

A bill to incorporate Pollocksville Lodge, 175, in Jones county. A bill to incorporate the Yadkin Navigation ompany.

A resolution in favor of William Thompson

A resolution in favor of Alexander Johnson, sheriff of Cumberland county.

A bill to incorporate the Piedmont turnpike road company. Read second time and hid on

The engrossed bill-concerning the common schools was read the second time and the amendment reported by the committee agreed to.

Mr. Thomas moved to amend the bill by adding the following as an additional section, viz: Be it further enected, That as soon as the Congress of the United States shall pass, a law releasing the State from the payment of the pleased the House to adopt them. If it was the Danville connection, he would never agree to shall thereafter be made agreeable to the numbers, but with this bill they were useless. Mr. benefit of the school fund.

Pending the consideration of said bill and amendment the Senate took a recess.

[AFTERNOON SESSION.]

A bill to incorporate the Greensboro' Hotel company in the town of Greensbore A hill to incorporate the town of Yaneyville. Amended and passed second and third readings. A resolution in favor of A. D. Davis, Jackson

county, passed second and third readingsyeas 13, pays 9. A bill in favor of The riff of Surry county, after having been discussed by several Senators, and divers amendments being affered, was passed—yeas 22, mays 8. After a few other bills of a private nature had

been passed the Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The House met at 10 o'clock. Mr. Settle again spoke against clogging the bill Mr. Humphrey introduced a bill to revive an with these various amendments, but in order to act incorporating the New river and Bear creek cut off all probability of a connection with Vircanal company. The rules were suspended and ginis, he offered an amendment prohibiting the the bill read the second and third times and

Mr. Hill of Halifax, gave notice that on to-Mr. Hill of Halifax, gave notice that on to had been introduced by himself in the early part morrow he would introduce a resolution limiting of the session, but had never been announced, thirds of the members present to take a bill from the table.

The unfinished business of yes erday, being

the bill to establish a ferry over Pasquotank speak in its defence. river, was taken up.
Mr. Badham said the county courts had power to regulate these matters, and to give them an of the vote. The matter rested here. opportunity to do so he would move to lay the

bill on the table. . After a few remarks from Mr. Mann the motion was adopted—yeas 41, nays 22.

A bill providing for the removal of free negroes moved it be indenfinitely postponed. Adopted from the State was taken up.

Mr. Bunbury explained, that this was not the bill introduced by him, but a substitute recom- had laid the Beaufort and coalfields railroad on mended by the committee; and stated that it the table. Adopted—yeas 42, mays 29.

prohibits the return of free negroes after an abprohibits the return of free negroes after an absence of one month, under the penalty of \$1000, the day of Thursday next.

if they did not leave again in 30 days. Mr. Stubbs objected to the above clause. In nitely, is section families going North were compelled Received a message from the House of Com- to carry free negroes with them as servants to

lessrs. Lewis of Nash, Cox of Perquimans, Mr. Meares was in favor of the clause. number of the free negroes from the Cape Fear region spend the summer in New York and Commone concurring in the amendment of the Canada, and come back infected by abolition sentiments. He knew free negroes to send their children to be educated in Massachusetts, who came back and are now residing in Wilmington. The true policy of the State ought not to be abandoned because it inconvenienced a few individuals.

Mr. Gilliam opposed the bill. It affected the Southern as well as the Northern boundaries of platform on the subject of internal improvements. and grievances, to whom was referred the bill to authorise A. M. Booe, late Sheriff of Davie went to South Carolina from returning as well as subject; and would prevent a free negrow who and also the Knew Nothing platform out the same authorise A. M. Booe, late Sheriff of Davie went to South Carolina from returning as well as subject; and very spiritedly defended himself, one from New York. If free negroes are troubles and avowed be would persevere in the same course and avowed be would persevere in the same course of opposition to the bill. Mr. B. opposed the bill them. In his section it is free negroes who because the various schemes embraced in the bill to accord the bill to accord to the bill to the chiefly navigate vessels to Norfolk and other had been acted upon and voted down by the ports; and if they were prevented coming back it would be a harsh and oppressive law. If free negroes act improperly it is the fault of the white population who permit it.

dressed the House at considerable length.' He reviewed the entire course of the slavery agitation, and pointed out the evils to be dreaded from the emanoipation of the slaves. He advocated deem, in good faith, the pledges of the Demo-

yeas 70, anya 14.

The bill being read, an amendment providing for the forfesture of the charter if any connection was made with a Virginia railroad, was accepted

by Mr. Settle.
Mr. Long wished to amend by striking out 19 and inserting 30 miles, or the centre of the coal-

Mr. Settle objected, and read extracts from Emmon's report to show 19 miles was the proper distance to reach Leachville, which was the best point to top the coaldfields.

Mr. Scales said they only asked a bare charter to reach the coalfields, and nothing else.— This amendment would kill the bill. If it was adopted he would not take the charter, as it would be useless. Was Virginia forever to be held up as a scarcesse to his people? He would prefer the House to defeat the bill than adopt this amendment, as his object was to stop where the coalfields commenced. If the House would not give them this charter, let them grant a charter from Danville to the coaffields, to give an outlat to the mineral wealth of the State.

Mr. Long stated his amendment gave the road all it required without going so near the Virginia line and he hoped the House would accept it.

Mr. D. F. Caldwell, while he endorsed the

ood faith of the friends of this bill, would rather the coal should remain forever undeveloped than see it pass into Virginia. Mr. Long made some further remarks in support of his amendment.

Mr. Withers corroborated Mr. Long's state-Mr. Ogburn advocated the passage of the bill, and commented on the paltry amendments offer-ed with the intention of killing the bill. Mr Long's amondments was rejected, and the bill passed its third reading—yeas 70, mays 33.
On motion of Mr. Blow, the rules were sus-

pended and the bill to authorise the payment of the 4th instalment to the Atlantic and N. C. tailroad company, passed its second and third readings. A bill to incorporate a reilroad company to build a road from Benefort turbor via Payetteville

to the coaffields, was taken up.

Mr Ellioft moved to substitute a bill which provided to build a road from Beaufort harbor via Fayetteville and the coalfields to some point

on the Yadkin river.

Mr. Outlaw, in order to test the disposition of the House on the matter, moved to lay the bill on the table. Mr. Masten said he would like to know what the substitute was-where it was to start, and where it was to end? And if the author of the bill was not willing to have his substitute read he should vote for Mr. Outlaw's motion to

lay the whole matter on the table. Motion to by the bill on the table adopted-

vers 46, navs 45. Mr. Humphrey complained that the House should make such a disposition of his bill. It speeches to fifteen minutes, and requiring two although among the first, until this morning; and he was sorry to find that the gentleman from Bertie was unwilling to extend the same courtesy Mr. Reeves introduced a resolution to enquire to him which he had shown to that gentleman into the cause of felling the trees on the capitol. The House had sustained him in his motion to lay upon the table, all debate is now precluded, and not one word are its friends permitted to

> feet, and was willing to move a reconsideration A bill relative to purchasers of Cherokee lands was taken up. Its object was explained by Mr The bill was opposed by Mr Bledsoe, who

Mr. Outlaw regretted his motion had that ef-

-yens 58, mays 33. Mr Yancey moved to reconsider the vote which

Mr Hill of Halifax, moved to postpone indefi-Pending a debate between Mesers Lowis of

Wake, Master, Meares, and Humphrey, the House took a recess until 3 o'clock.

n the table. Rejected—yeas 29, mays 46.

AFTERNOON SESSION The debate on the motion to postpone indeffitely was resumed. A motion was made to lay the postponement

Mr Meares was opposed to the indefinite postponement; and commented on the opposition offered to this bill, and insisted the bill should be nirly debated on its merits. Mr. Blodsoc replied; and defended his course

in opposing the bill. He read the Democratic the State in debt to an extent never contemplated Mr. Bright was in favor of the bill; and ad- by the people, and beyond their means of pay-

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