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Contents of the Acts and Resolutions.

PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT THE SESSION OF 1868.

ACTS

An act amending the charter of the city of Wilmington.
An act to change the name of the town site in the county of Mitchell. [Changes from "Davis" to "Barnesville."]
An act to provide for the representation of stock owned by the State and the counties of Carteret, Craven and Lenoir in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Co.
An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Davidson Copper Mining Company."
An act to provide for the qualification of certain officers elected under the Constitution of the State of North Carolina.
An act to incorporate the town of Brevard in the county of Transylvania.
An act in relation to provisional municipal officers. [Declares vacant all municipal offices held by appointment or election since the war, and authorizes the Governor to fill the same with appointees, who shall perform the functions of said offices until an election to be held on the first Monday in January, 1869.]
An act entitled "an act concerning inspectors for the city of Wilmington."
An act to extend the time for registering Grants, Home Conveyances, Powers of Attorneys, Deeds of Sale, Deeds of Gift, Deeds of Trust and Marriage settlements. [Extends the time till 27th of July, 1868, but the provisions of this act do not extend to mortgages and conveyances in trust or marriage settlements.]
An act to provide for the filling of vacancies occurring in the offices provided for in Article VII of the Constitution of North Carolina.
An act in relation to marriage licenses. [The duty of issuing marriage licenses and the fees for the same appertain to the Register of Deeds.]
An act to repeal an act directing the time and place for selling lands in the counties of Halifax, Northampton, Hertford and Martin.
An act to provide for the relief of sheriffs of the State and their sureties. [Authorizes the officers of the law to return without sale to the next Superior Court all executions issued against the sureties of deceased sheriffs who died during life to collect taxes, and to pay over such when collected, provided the lien of the State shall not be impaired.]
An act to amend an act to provide for the qualification of certain officers recently elected under the provisions of the Constitution of North Carolina. [Provides that the County Treasurer shall give bond in such a sum as will cover all moneys paid to him, and also that the bonds of the Register of Deeds shall be like to that heretofore required of County Registers.]
An act to authorize the Air Line Railroad Company in South Carolina to construct and operate its road within the lines of this State.
An act to extend the Chatham Railroad.
An act to empower the County Commissioners to draw jurors for the Superior Courts.
An act to notify the Governor in certain cases of the disqualification of County Commissioners. [Makes it the duty of the Judge of the Superior Court, in case of the disqualification of all the Commissioners of any county under the Howard amendment, or for any other cause, to notify the Governor of the same, who shall immediately fill such offices by appointment, also makes it the duty of any one Commissioner who shall be able to qualify, to notify the Governor of the commissioners elect.]
An act appointing Clerks of Superior Courts to take priority examination of *ferre courts* in the conveyance of real estate.
An act ratifying and confirming the charter of the Northwestern North Carolina Railroad Company.
An act to establish Special Courts in Wilmington and Newbern.
An act for the relief of Willis S. Grandy.

An act to require Trustees of the University of North Carolina to reside in the county for which they are chosen.
An act to provide for the payment of the burial expenses of the late Hon. Lorenzo D. Hall, and for other purposes.
An act to limit the liabilities of sheriffs. [Provides that sheriffs and constables shall not be held liable for any act heretofore done under any law, statute or ordinance issued by competent authority, unless the same shall have been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the State.]
An act in relation to jurors. [Empowers the Judge of the Superior Courts to order the drawing of jurors by the sheriffs when, for any cause, the same shall not have been drawn as required by law.]
An act to amend sections second, third, and eighth, chapter 190, of the Revised Code of North Carolina. [Provides, among other things, that the Governor shall appoint, when necessary, Commissioners of Weeks, and declares the present commissioners as provisional, and whose term of office shall expire as soon as their successors are appointed.]
An act to incorporate the North Carolina Life Assurance, Annuity and Trust Company.
An act in relation to the bonds of county officers in the county of Cumberland.
An act to regulate capital execution.
An act to extend the charter of the High Shoals Manufacturing Company.
An act to amend the charter of the Williamston and Tarboro' Railroad Company.
An act in relation to County Treasurer. [Makes it unlawful for the County Treasurer to cash any order or certificate of indebtedness given by the late County Courts, unless the same shall have been audited by the County Commissioners.]
An act to organize a militia of North Carolina.
An act in relation to the powers and duties of the Clerks of the Superior Courts.
An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Greenville and French Broad Railroad Company."
An act to incorporate the Salisbury Cemetery Association.
An act to incorporate the Enterprise Manufacturing Company.
An act to provide for filling of vacancies that may occur in the General Assembly.
An act in relation to Sheriffs. [Whenever a Sheriff or other officer wilfully violates any law or ordinance in relation to the stay of proceedings for the collection of debts, he shall be indicted in the Superior Court and be fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the same.]
An act entitled the consolidating portion of the code of practice and proceedings in civil action for the courts of this State.
An act making an appropriation for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum. [Appropriates \$3,000 to pay the current expenses of the institution until the 1st of January, 1869.]
An act to authorize the Norfolk and Great Western Railroad Company to construct its road through the counties of Granville, Person and Caswell.
An act to provide for funding the matured interest on the public debt.
An act to provide for the registration of voters.
An act to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors on the days of election. [Forbids the sale or gift of spirituous liquors, except for medical purposes, at any time within twelve hours next preceding or succeeding any public election, and fines offenders not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000.]
An act to amend the charter of the Western N. C. Railroad Company.
An act to legalize and confirm a decree made by the Court of Equity at full term, A. D., 1867, in the county of Buncombe, in favor of the heirs at law of G. W. Candler, deceased.
An act relative to the late Sheriffs and their sureties. [Authorizes the late Sheriffs to return to the County Commissioners the lists of insolvents on the tax lists of 1865, '66 and '67, and instructs the present Sheriffs to include the executions against the late Sheriffs and their sureties until January 1868, not relinquishing, however, any lien had in favor of the State.]
An act to repeal an act ratified the 14th day of February, 1861, concerning tax collectors.
An act to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee, and Ohio Railroad Company.
An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the lawful debt of the State.
An act to incorporate the Respass Guano Company.
An act to incorporate the North State Swamp Land, Naval Store and Lumber Company.
An act for the more effectual suppression of the crime of stealing horses and mules. [Provides that offenders and accessories be sentenced to suffer imprisonment at hard labor for not less than five, nor more than twenty years.]
An act providing for furnishing the Executive Mansion. [Appropriates for the purpose, \$10,000.]
An act entitled an act to amend an ordinance of the Convention entitled "an ordinance to incorporate the North Western North Carolina Railroad Company."
An act to amend "an act to provide for the qualification of certain officers recently elected under the provisions of the Constitution of the State of North Carolina."
An act to amend an ordinance entitled "an ordinance admitting members of the bar of other States to practice in this State," ratified 4th day of February, 1868. [Provides that attorneys from other States shall be admitted to practice in this State, by presenting a certificate to any Superior Court Judge, as well as to the Supreme Court as provided for in said ordinance.]
An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Newbern Gas Light Company."
An act to amend the charter of the Western Railroad Company.
An act concerning the courts of the justices of the peace and civil proceedings therein.
An act to provide for the employment of convicts in the erection of a penitentiary.
An act concerning the fees of Clerks of the Superior Courts, Sheriffs, Registers of Deeds, Solicitors, Coroners, Constables, Justices of the Peace and Jurors.
An act being the majority report of joint committee on salaries and fees.

An act in relation to punishments.
An act supplemental to the act on salaries and fees.
An act to incorporate the Holden Hook and Ladder Fire Company, No. 1, of Newbern, N. C.
An act, being report of the committee on claims.
An act regulating the selling of lands under execution. [Provides that the first Saturday in each and every month, and the first Monday of the regular terms of the Superior Courts shall be sale days for lands to be sold under execution, forty days' advertisement thereof to be given by the Sheriffs.]
An act for the relief of such persons as may have suffered from the destruction, by fire, of the records of the Superior and County Courts in the county of Anson.
An act providing for the support of Insane Asylum. [Appropriates \$40,000 for the support of the Asylum.]
An act to amend the charter of the Southern Air Line Railroad Company.
An act to punish conspiracy, sedition and rebellion.
An act to make bank bills a set off.
An act to repeal an ordinance of the Constitutional Convention, passed March 19th, 1868, [in reference to the accounts and affairs of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Company.]
An act concerning the Register of Deeds.
An act to amend an act entitled "an act to provide for the registration of voters." [Provides for the appointment of six electors at each precinct, who shall, with the Register, be judges of election at the next Presidential election, &c.]
An act to incorporate the Ridgeway Company.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution authorizing the printing of the Governor's Inaugural Speeches of Judge Reade and Lt. Gov. T. R. Caldwell. [Authorizes the printing of 50 copies for each member.]
Resolution in relation to alleged frauds in the late election for members of the General Assembly. [Requests the military authorities to forward to the General Assembly the papers in the alleged frauds in the Caswell county election, and all evidence pertaining to similar cases.]
Resolution in relation to W. J. Palmer.
Resolution in relation to printing. [Authorizes the joint committee on printing to arrange for the printing of the "usual number" of the Code, for the use of the General Assembly.]
Resolution in regard to a Penitentiary.
Resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Orange county.
Resolution in relation to printing the usual rules of the General Assembly.
Resolution instructing the Board of Education to prepare and report a plan and code of laws for the organization, government, &c., of the public free schools.
Resolution in relation to filling vacancy in the 16th Senatorial District. [Occasioned by the death of the Hon. Lorenzo D. Hall.]
Resolution directing the Treasurer to furnish the Senate with a statement of the expenses incurred by the late Constitutional Convention, also the Convention of 1865, and 1866, and also the disposition of the Literary funds, and the \$100,000 since the Constitutional Convention adjourned.
Resolution directing the Treasurer to report without delay whether any sum or sums of money have been paid by him as Treasurer, to defray the expenses of the Republican party celebration, in this city, on the 4th of July.
Resolution authorizing the Public Treasurer to negotiate a loan, [not to exceed \$100,000 for ninety days, to meet a temporary deficiency in the Treasury.]
Resolution in relation to Senators banned by the Howard Amendment. [Declares vacant the seats of Wm. A. Allen, Josiah Turner, Jr., and Edmund W. Jones, of the 12th, 23d and 41st Districts, respectively.]
Resolution authorizing 1,000 copies of all acts relative to county officers and their duties, passed by this General Assembly, to be printed.
Resolution in favor of Benjamin Durfee for services rendered as temporary engrossing clerk.
Resolution in relation to the payment of pages. [Allows two pages to each House at a salary of \$3 per day each.]
Resolution in relation to adjournment. Rescinds the resolution to adjourn on the 10th of August, and fixes on the 17th of August, to convene again on the 3d Monday of November, 1868.
Resolution requesting the military authorities to forward to the General Assembly the papers in case of alleged frauds in the election in Caswell county.
Resolution in relation to the address of the Governor on the 4th day of July.
Resolution in relation to the committee on credentials.
Resolution to supply each member of the Senate with certain documents.
Resolution authorizing the printing of enactments for the use of members. [Authorizes the printing of ten copies each of all the acts for each member of the General Assembly.]
Resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, entitled Article 14th.
Resolution in relation to salaries. [Requires the joint committee on salaries and fees to report a monthly compensation for the State officers, until their annual salaries shall have been determined by law.]
Resolution relative to settling certain claims. [Due certain parties for items furnished the Lunatic Asylum.]
Resolution in relation to an office for the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
Resolution in regard to clerks.
Resolution instructing the Public Treasurer [to communicate to the General Assembly if any additional legislation was necessary to enable him to negotiate the loan of \$100,000 as required by a former act.]
Resolution in favor of N. Paige & Co.
Resolution relative to adjournment. [Rescinds the resolution to adjourn on the 7th of August, and fixes on the 24th of August as the day of adjournment.]
Resolution in relation to the appointment of an assistant engrossing clerk.
Resolution in relation to daily sessions of the Senate.
Resolution in favor of Hon. J. W. Osborne.
Resolution in reference to the validity of the State Government.
Resolution concerning the Confederate securities now in the State Treasury. [Authorizes the Public

Treasurer to burn all the Confederate securities now in the State Treasury, &c.]
Resolution in regard to clerks.
Resolution in favor of N. Paige & Co.
Resolution to compensate principal clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives. [Allows \$100 to each.]
Resolution in regard to per diem of assistant engrossing clerk [of the Senate].
Resolution in relation to currency of National Banks.
Resolution to investigate the claims [of John W. Stevens] in the 24th Senatorial District.
Resolution of thanks to Hon. Tod. R. Caldwell.

ANSON COUNTY.

SEYMOUR AND BLAIR MEETING IN SMITH'S PRECINCT.
According to previous notice, the citizens of the Smith district assembled at the Home School House on Saturday, 22d Aug., 1868, for the purpose of forming an organization to be known as the Peo Dee Seymour and Blair Club.
The following committee was appointed on resolutions: R. Crump, T. C. Capel, R. P. Allen, N. D. McLaughlin, C. B. Lindsey, H. Hough, who reported as follows:
Resolved, 1st, That we hereby express our unqualified approval of the platform of principles adopted by the recent National Convention in New York, believing that if those principles can be carried into effect, and the nominees of said Convention be elected, a happy, peaceful, and lasting settlement of the existing political troubles will be the result.
2d, That we organize here-to-day a Campaign Club, to be composed of all voters of the precinct opposed to the dangerous and iniquitous doctrines of the Radical Republican party.
3d, That, as members of the Conservative Democratic party, we feel ourselves forced, in self-defence, after the declarations of Radical leaders and the action of those voters amongst us dependent upon us for support, to declare that we will, in hiring laborers, always give preference to those who vote with us; and, unless great changes take place, shall, when present contracts expire, be compelled to adopt still more definite and stringent measures.
4th, That, in the passage of the police bill by the State Legislature, we recognize the dangerous experiment of placing an armed force under the unlimited control of a man—Gov. Holden—whose acts seem to be wholly prompted by selfish ambition and hatred of the virtuous and intelligent masses who have repeatedly refused to confer upon him the office which he now holds, and look upon it as a measure fraught with danger to the best interests of the people and country.
Col. E. R. Liles, being present, was called on for a speech. He responded with some brief but patriotic and well-timed remarks.
Messrs. J. M. Smith and L. P. Crump, being requested to receive the names of those wishing to become members of the Club, reported 21 whites and 2 colored.
On motion, the Chairman appointed the following committee, whose duty it shall be to recommend permanent officers, and to prepare by-laws and rules for the government of the Club: Jno. McGregor, A. M. Livingston, J. B. Ingram, R. P. Allen, N. D. McLaughlin—said committee to report at the next meeting of the Club.
It was ordered that a copy of the proceedings of the meeting be sent to the *Wadesborough N. C. Argus*, with request to publish. The meeting then adjourned to meet on the second Saturday in September, at 2 o'clock p. m.
JOSEPH ALLEN, Chairman.
J. B. LINDESEY, Secretary.

MEETING IN POPLAR HILL DISTRICT.
At a preliminary meeting, held at Poplar Hill, on Saturday, the 29th, for the purpose of organizing an auxiliary Seymour and Blair Club, Mr. Wilson Allen was called to the Chair, and R. B. Gaddy requested to act as Secretary.
After some discussion and a free expression of true Conservative principles, the following gentlemen were appointed by the Chair a committee to draft resolutions and report permanent officers for the action of the Club at the next meeting: A. P. Sturdivant, Harvey Knotts, H. Billingsley Alex. Allen, Wm. White, Sherwood Rushing, T. J. Poik.
The meeting then adjourned till the 3d Saturday in September.
WILSON ALLEN, Chairman.
R. B. GADDY, Secretary.

WHAT A FREEDMAN CAN DO THROUGH HONESTY AND INDUSTRY, AND KEEPING ALOOF FROM LOYAL LEAGUES.
We commend the following, from the *Galveston (Texas) News* of the 5th instant, to the attentive perusal of freedmen:
"New Cotton.—The first bale of the new crop, shipped direct to this place, came by railroad last evening, consigned to A. Sessums & Co. We understand that it was from Bastrop county, and part of the crop of Abe Gilmore (colored). Judging from the sample laid on our desk, the cotton would be classed as strict middling. We think Abe is entitled to the silver pitcher, and we believe the enterprising firm to whom the cotton was consigned in this city will so decide."
The same journal of the following day says:
"As we had anticipated, Abe Gilmore (colored), who sent the first bale of new cotton of the present crop direct to this city was the recipient this morning of a handsome pitcher and two silver goblets, presented by A. Sessums & Co. The articles were purchased at M. W. Shaw's, on Tremont street. It gives us pleasure to chronicle this evidence of liberality on the part of one of our largest cotton firms; and we are not at all sorry that a worthy and industrious freedman was the fortunate individual to reap the benefit."
What Abe Gilmore has done other freedmen can do by attending to their legitimate business, and not leaving their work every week to go to cities and towns to engage in torchlight processions and other demonstrations for the purpose of elevating to office unscrupulous carpet-baggers.—*Charleston Courier*.

A GENTLEMAN who has lately traveled through Rockingham, Guilford, Forsyth, Stokes and Surry, to form the *Danville Times* that the corn crop in those counties is the best he has ever seen.