

is calculated to produce some reflections upon the system in vogue in the entire sioners, save to introduce what we have where it appropriately belongs.

praisement for taxable purposed that been for many years, and is now, radi cally defective. It would be amusing, were it not painful, to observe how mankind in the aggregate are the victims of description as property in another, has a very different value. Horses, for uxjoining they may be valued at forty or fifty. Other stock are subject to, and in fact have, such a variety in the esti-

the State is noticed, this diversity of still. We find, for example, the property of a gentleman in Onslow, who returns say eight thousand acres, oneeighth in a high state of improved cultivation, is valued at fifteen thousand dollars. Take an equal quantity of land of the same productive capacity in New Hanover or Duplin, or some other county adjacent to Onslow, and it is more than probable that its value will be found to be estimated at thirty or forty thousand dollars.

approached the truth in the assessment, where such striking differences exist, but where is the remedy? It is curs tainly unjust for one county to pay half the tax to the State that another county does, upon the same amount of property. Yet this is precisely what is be-

power to adjust the assessments of similar property to a similar value throughout the State.

ture were tinkering with the Constitution, for the purpose of strengthening their declining power, they might have done something which would have re-Had they considered some proper their duty.

sense of their duty. The scandalous right path.