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IMPEACHMENT.

The Republican papers appear indignant at the last approach of impeachment of Governor Holden and Chief Justice Pearson, and are evidently anxious to bring about the removal of the Governor, but only upon the long service and ability of the old Judge to save him from the indignity which must follow impeachment. If good learning and public service could have saved him from impeachment, Chief Justice Blair had never been impeached. The history of judicial usurpation in North Carolina began with the establishment of the Republican party in the State. It is to be hoped that they shall through some means.

The call for the impeachment of Judge Pearson in the counties of Alamance and Caswell will not be disregarded by the Legislature. These are the people who suffered by his base abandonment of a plan and its repeated delay in granting relief to illegally arrested citizens, and they have the sympathies of the whole State. The cause of one county is the cause of all.

Without the co-operation of Judge Pearson, Holden and Kirk would soon have finished their lawless career. We sometimes reason out of the belief that there was a tacit understanding between the Judge and the Governor, that the prisoners of the latter should not be referred by Holden to Kirk. In one of the letters picked up in the Court House at Graham, addressed to Kirk by the Governor, he says that the messengers of the Chief

Justice were to be sent to him as the first and most important step in the trial of the rebels occurring in other states, and did not consider it necessary to send them to the State of North Carolina.

It was substantially restating him. Indeed it seems apparent that the Judge was the creature of the Governor throughout.

After Judge Brooks signified his intention to release the prisoners, some whom had been hung and ironed like dogs and felons, Gov. Holden writes the following letter to Judge Pearson:

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,**

To the Hon. R. M. Pearson,

Chief Justice Supreme Court of N. C.

Dear Sir: In my answer to the notices

served upon me by the Marshal of the Supreme Court, in the matter of Adolphus G. Moore and others, *ex parte*, I stated to your Honor that at that time the public interest forbade me to permit Col. George W. Kirk to bring before your Honor the said parties; at the same time I assured your Honor that as soon as the safety of the State should justify it, I would cheerfully restore the civil power and cause the said parties to be brought before you together with the cause of their capture and detention.

That time has arrived, and I have ordered Col. George W. Kirk to obey the writ of habeas corpus issued by your Honr.—As the number of prisoners and witnesses is considerable, I would suggest to your Honor that it would be more convenient to make return to the writ at the Capitol in Raleigh. Col. Kirk is prepared to make such return, as soon as your Honor shall arrive, Raleigh.

With great respect,
W. W. HOLDEN.

Who made the Governor the keeper of the Judge and of the sacred privileges of the writ of habeas corpus, to be docketed out as the want and requirements of the Republican party should demand? After Bergen has hung up Tatton, Rogers and Murry, it is said, the Governor "will cheerfully restore the civil power and cause the said parties to be brought before you together with the cause of their capture and detection." The time has arrived and I have ordered Col. Kirk to obey the writ of habeas corpus issued by your Honor. That a Governor should address such a letter to a Judge makes good cause for the impeachment of both.

In that remarkable old work, "The Mirror of Justice," there is a chapter on the abuses of the common law, in which it is said, "It is absurd that Justices and other officers who kill people by false judgments, be destroyed by other murderers, which King Alfred caused to live, when he ordered forty justic sili one year to be hanged as murderers, for their law judgments." What a lucky guess for Judge Pearson that King Holden has got old Alfred reigns!

Scrubs and Jifrys, the subversives of a corrupt Court fill a black page in the journals of their country. Judge Pearson has made a black page in the annals of his country, for which he should be punished, impeached, deposed and

GOL. L. W. HUMPHREY OF GOLDSBORO, WHEN EMER.

We mentioned a few days ago, that we had noticed the claims of every gentleman in the State, whose name had been coupled with their friends, with the U. S. Senate. A correspondent calls our attention to the fact that we had not alluded to the name of Col. L. W. Humphrey of Wayne. He is correct. It was an omission on our part. Col. Humphrey's name was urged some time since by a respondent of the Old North State, and is very noticed by the editor of that paper, as a very proper selection for U. S. Senator, and we have no hesitation in endorsing Col. Humphrey's eminent qualifications for any position his fellow citizens might call him to fill.

GENERAL CLINGMAN.

If all parties cannot harmonize on this old gentleman for Senator, then we ask upon whom can they agree? He can command himself to the old Whigs for he was one of them; he can present his claims with confidence to the old Democrats, for he was one of them, also. He is acceptable to the carpet baggers, for he is on terms with Littlefield. He is acceptable to the native scalawags, for he made an address to the people which was published in the Standard office and was circulated by "Dad" and Pringle Ashby.

We have pledged ourselves to strict neutrality in the Senatorial and all other elections to be made by the Legislature. This little mention of an old rotator will hardly be considered as a violation of that neutrality.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

SENATE.

MORNING, Nov. 21, 1870.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock.

The President, Mr. Caldwell, presided to address the body as follows:

Sessions.—The assembling of the Representatives of the people is always an event of great interest. It is especially so at the present time, when so many are looking forward with fond anticipations for a removal of real or imaginary burdens which they believe are resting upon them.

I cordially hope Senators that the people of our beloved State may not be disappointed in their hopes and expectations, and that this branch of the legislative department will apply itself judiciously to their well known duty to improve the condition of their constituents and to restore the State to her former state of prosperity and greatness.

Much was done by your predecessors to advance the State in her onward march to glory and greatness, and the intention of the law makers had been faithfully and honestly observed and their enactments properly executed; but it cannot be denied that much also has been done which it were better had been entirely omitted.

It will be your duty, as it will doubtless be your pleasure to renew the good and to correct the evil legislation of those who have preceded you to throw around the laws such safe guards as will insure their enforcement and to make them so plain and just that the humblest of our citizens may understand them.

It is gratifying and refreshing to hear the roll called and responses made by men whose fathers and grandfathers and even great grandfathers have in former days, answer to the same names. Last Legislature there were responses to the roll call of many names unfamiliar, such as Eustis, Ladd, Sweet and a long list of others.

It is a great satisfaction to see the

return of General Alanson. They are

not to be seen in a seat with name

of Alanson. He is a man of great worth,

and is substantially restating him.

It is gratifying to see the people, who

have suffered greatly, have re-instate many of these names upon the roll.

Last session Culv Mayo and John Ragland answered, where Gilliam, Amis, Littlejohn, Taylor, Caswell, Eston or Henderson were wont to reply. There has been some improvement even in Radical Gravina. Col. Hargrove is some improvement on Culv Mayo, and Capt. Lyon a considerable advance on John Ragland.

Last Legislature Galway and French answered from New Hanover, instead of Davis, Cowan, Hall, Wright, Waddell or Emory. This session there is a marked improvement on Culv Mayo, and Capt. Lyon a considerable advance on John Ragland.

In short, at the last Legislature the robbers, with fraud and sword, turned out the true men of the State; now the State returns that, by the force of truth and the voice of an indignant and outraged people, the true men have ejected most of the robbers. There is nothing strange nor wonderful in this; it is what will always result from the sober, second thought of a virtuous people, when left to the free exercise of their own judgment.

OUR CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS.

Col. Manning, our candidate for Congress, was in the city, and stopped at the Yarbo House, Friday night. On Saturday morning he left by the early train for Smithfield, where he spoke on Saturday.

Mr. Manning will address the people at Oak Grove Township in this county on next Thursday, 24th inst., if he can possibly reach there; if not, the appointment will be filled by some other speaker.

We have seen many gentlemen from Chatham county, who say they yet to meet the first white man in that county who will vote for Joe, or even for "Dad," who will be a candidate. They put Mr. Manning's majority at 1,000.

We are glad to hear of the good spirit prevailing in Orange for Mr. Manning. A very small portion of the \$6,000 sent from Washington will find circulation in Orange, for when the white Radicals get it, they don't divide.

Let every good man in the district give one day to his country; and one more rebuke to profligacy and vice, by going to the polls on Saturday next and voting for John Manning, Jr., for Congress.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING.

An briefly noticed yesterday, a large and respectable gathering of the Conservative of Raleigh township took place at the Court House, on Saturday night.

The meeting was organized by calling H. P. Tucker Esq., to the Chair, and appointing Mr. Theo. N. Ramsey Secretary.

The meeting was addressed by several gentlemen. In addition to those mentioned in our brief notice yesterday morning, we add, C. M. Babcock Esq. of Wake, Mr. Morrison of Asheville, and somewhere.

The speech of Judge Morrison was one of power and depth and was listened to with profound attention by the large crowd present.

The committee appointed for the purpose of drawing up ratification resolutions reported the following which was unanimously adopted:

ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Mr. Allright nominated W. L. Saunders of Orange and Mr. Moore of Carteret, nominated A. H. Dowell of Buncome. Whole number of votes cast, 38, of which Mr. Saunders received 29 and Mr. Dowell 9. Mr. B. was declared duly elected.

PRINCIPAL DOORKEEPER.

Mr. Allright nominated J. T. Holloman of Craven. Mr. McRae nominated J. T. Ball of Wake. Whole number of votes cast, 39, of which Mr. Holloman received 29 and Mr. Ball 9. Mr. Ball was declared duly elected.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, Nov. 21.

The House was called to order at 12 o'clock, by Jas. H. Bower, Esq., Principal Clerk of the last House.

The following members appeared and were qualified:

Messrs. Anderson, Armstrong, Ashe, Atwater, Atkinson, Brooks, Broadwater, Brown, Bunn, Bryson, Bryan, Chamberlain, Currie, Clegg, Collie, Crawford, Copeland, Dickey, Dodger, Duckworth, Elliston, Fish,

Foster, Gaskins, Gaskins, Grayson, Green-

Hill, Hodges, Houston, Harris, of Franklin,

Hillman, Hargrove, Hardy, Hill-

Harrison, Hampton, Johnson, Jones,

Jordan, Justice, Jarvis, Joyner, of Pitt,

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The election of a Speaker was in order.

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