

Legislature of North Carolina.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DECEMBER 12.

Senate was called to order at 7:30 p. m.

Col. Welch moved that the private calendar be made special order for the night.

Mr. Cowles moved to amend by suspending the rule requiring the eyes and ears for the night unless called for by some Senator. Agreed to.

A resolution, instructing the Secretary of State to issue a grant for land to A. W. Bell, in Macon county, passed its third reading.

A resolution in favor of J. H. Ennis, passed its several readings.

A bill empowering the commissioners of Raleigh to appoint an inspector of wood and coal, passed its several readings.

A resolution in favor of W. H. Morris & Co., passed its several readings.

A bill authorizing the Board of Trustees for Hickory township, in Catawba county, to complete the Ashville turnpike and declare it a public highway, passed its third reading.

A resolution in favor of D. D. Percebe, Sheriff of Camden county. On motion of Mr. Ayers laid on the table.

A resolution in favor of Bart McClane, treasurer of Swain county, passed its several readings.

A bill to incorporate the Watanga New River and Yadkin River lumber and raft Company, passed its several readings.

A bill amending the charter of the Fair of the Carolinas; authorizes the election of a Board of Directors and a President, and authorizes the issue of bonds to a sum not exceeding in amount twenty five thousand dollars.

Mr. Troy moved to strike out the clause which exempts the bonds proposed from State tax. Adopted.

Mr. Seymour moved to strike out the clause exempting the bonds from county and municipal tax. Adopted and bill passed third reading.

A bill to require the Treasurer of Cherokee county to turn over certain notes and bonds to the treasurer of Graham county passed its several readings.

A bill in relation to the Catawba Toll Bridge Company; legalizes former acts of the Corporation and revives the charter. The President announced that the bill was on its third reading. Mr. King corrected the chair, said it had not been read, and all demanded the reading of the bill. Said the first thing we knew we would pass a bill to bring somebody. The bill was read and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Catawba Valley Bridge Company. passed its several readings.

A bill to submit to a vote of the people of Washington county, the question of the location of their county seat. Allows the voters to remove their county seat from Plymouth to McKey's Ferry.

Mr. Ayers objected to the passage of the bill.

Mr. Humphrey said that the people of the county ought to have the power to change the location.

Mr. Love concurred with Mr. Welch, and thought the people ought not to be allowed to change the location without substantial reasons.

Mr. Johnson explained that two court houses had been burned, and that they had no court house now, and as they had to build a new one, the people wanted to change its location, or at least to have a say on the matter.

Mr. Murphy said that as a matter of justice and right to the people of that county he would urge the passage of the bill.

The bill passed its third reading.

Resolution in favor of the National Bank of Fayetteville, passed over informally in consequence of the absence of Mr. Troy.

A bill to incorporate the "Weaver College," in Buncombe county, passed its several readings.

A bill to incorporate the Baptist church of Hovany, in Buncombe county, passed its third reading.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of H. Hurst, passed its third reading. Senate adjourned.

SENATE.

SATURDAY, Dec. 13, 1873.

Senate was called to order at 11 a. m.

Journals of yesterday read and concurred in.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Fleming, from the judiciary committee; Mr. Johnson from enrolled bills; Mr. Morehead of Rockingham, from committee on corporations; Col. Ellis from committee on the lesser Ayers; Mr. Seymour from committee on judiciary; Mr. Love from committee on propositions and grievances; Mr. Gaudler from corporations.

Mr. Troy, a resolution requesting the Public Treasurer to furnish a detailed statement of State collected and paid by Justice of the Peace to the credit of school funds.

Mr. Murphy, a bill to amend chapter 182, laws of 1873-74.

Mr. Johnson, a bill to restore the records of Washington county.

Mr. Hill, a bill to incorporate a Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Price, a bill incorporating a school. Provides for the site of two Superior Court Judges in all the vacancies caused by the death of Judge Boyden, and the resignation of Judge Dick, and the election of two Superior Court Judges to fill the vacancy in the Second District, resulting from the resignation of Judge Jones, and the vacancy in the Eighth District, caused by non-acceptance of D. H. Starbuck. Read and referred.

On motion of Mr. Cowles, House left to incorporate the town of Jonestown, was read and without reference placed on the calendar.

Message from the House transmitting a number of bills passed by that body, all of which were read and appropriately referred.

Mr. Price moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill in relation to the terms of the Superior Court in the Fourth Judicial District.

Mr. Scott moved to lay on the table. Agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

An act to authorize public schools in cities of over two thousand inhabitants. Allows voters to determine by ballot whether a tax shall be levied to support public schools.

Mr. Cowles offered an amendment to an additional section, which provides that in laying the tax provided for in this act,

THE EQUATION PROVIDED FOR IN THE CONSTITUTION AS TO TAXING PROPERTY AND POLLS SHALL BE PRESERVED.

Mr. Waring spoke at length against the proposition to confer the property in towns and cities of over two thousand inhabitants, and to make the property owner educate the children of the non-property holder.

Harris, col., replied at length to the arguments of Senator Waring.

Mr. Cunningham sent up to the clerk's table to be read for information, a letter from Professor Melver addressed to him as chairman of the committee on education, in advocacy of the passage of the bill. The bill having received the approbation of the educational convention, &c.

Mr. Welch offered an amendment, allowing only property holders to vote, but withdrew it.

Mr. Morehead, of Guilford, offered an amendment providing that non-residents of such cities who own three hundred dollars worth of property within the corporate limits of the city shall vote, and providing that voters shall show their tax receipts for the year previous to voting.

Mr. Seymour argued against the constitutionality of the amendment.

Mr. Morehead rejoined in support of it.

Mr. Cunningham opposed the amendment of Mr. Morehead, and said when he was a bachelor and had no wife and children, he supported a liberal system of common schools in view of the benefits that would accrue to society. That now he had both, and he was more and more convinced each successive year that North Carolina needed a good system of common schools. Arguing with much force in favor of the bill.

A discussion upon the constitutionality of the amendment here arose, participated in by Messrs. Merrimon, Norwood, Morehead, Seymour and Troy. The amendment failed.

Mr. Morehead of Rockingham, offered an amendment providing that not more than one-fourth of one per cent tax shall be levied on property under authority of this act.

Mr. Cunningham enquired if the Senator would vote for the bill with this amendment.

Mr. M. replied that he would not make any rash promises.

Mr. Ayers, an amendment requiring voters to pay an average of pro rata tax before voting. Lost.

Mr. Norwood submitted some effective remarks in support of the bill and Mr. Morehead's amendment. Said there should be a limit to the power to tax.

Mr. Morehead's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Troy offered an amendment which fixes penalties as now provided by law. Adopted.

Mr. Ellis of Catawba, an amendment requiring that the twenty citizens authorized in this act to call an election upon the question of locating the county seat shall be property holders. Adopted.

Bill passed second reading.

Mr. Fleming presented a petition from citizens of McDowell. Referred to committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Morehead obtained leave of absence for the Principal Doorkeeper for Monday next.

Col. Ellis obtained leave for one day for Senator from Cleveland, Dr. Miller.

On motion of Mr. Gaudler, Senate adjourned until Monday at 11 o'clock, a. m.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DECEMBER 9.

Mr. Speaker Robinson called the House to order at 10:30 a. m.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

WORKING BODIES.

Mr. Bryan, of Wilkes, submitted a report from the committee on counties, cities, towns, &c.

Mr. Bryson, of Swain, from the committee on railroads, plank roads and turnpikes.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on finance.

Mr. McGee, from the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg, from the committee on propositions and grievances.

Mr. Gidney, from the committee on finance.

Mr. Moring, from the committee on engraved bills.

Mr. Marler, from the committee on enrolled bills.

Mr. Bennett, from the committee on judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. McNell, resolution regarding the committee on special tax bonds to report on Monday next.

Mr. Dula, resolution that the committee on public buildings be requested to report upon the action taken in regard to the purchase of a fire proof safe for the Secretary of State.

Mr. Gilmer, resolution concerning the United States State's Centennial Exhibition.

Mr. Rhoda, resolution in relation to the public printing.

Mr. Mitchell, resolution regarding returns to the general government.

Mr. Johnson, resolution to provide for celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, by holding an exhibition of art, and of the products and manufactures of the State, in the city of Charlotte on 10th day of May, A. D. 1875.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. Hampton, bill to amend chapter 11, section 1 of the Revised Code.

Mr. Webb, bill concerning the duties of county commissioners.

Mr. Jordan, bill to provide for the pay of a witness in certain cases.

Mr. Freeman, bill concerning the fee of Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Freeman, bill to incorporate Nite Camp Ground, in McDowell county.

Mr. Mitchell, bill regarding the commission of sheriff.

The bill to amend the charter of the North Carolina Railroad Company and for other purposes, better known as the "amendatory bill" was amended and passed its second reading, and ordered to be printed, and made special order for Monday at 11 a. m.

House bill 2233, the bill to amend an act to amend the New River Canal Company, passed its several readings, having been previously introduced by Mr. Scott.

House bill 217, to incorporate the New River & Raleigh Railroad, passed its several readings, having been introduced by Mr. Scott.

HOME AFFAIRS.

Baptist Church.

Dr. Warren Randolph, one of the foremost preachers of the Baptist denomination, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist Church to-day at 11 o'clock.

Masonic.

There will be a regular communication of Hiram Lodge No. 40, A. Y. & A. M., on Monday evening 15th inst, at 7 o'clock p. m. As it is the evening for the election of officers for the ensuing masonic year, all the members are earnestly requested to be present.

In a New Place.

We noticed that L. D. & W. R. Womble have hoisted their sign on the corner of Wilmington and Hargett streets, indicating their place of business. Success to these enterprising gentlemen. By the way, the sign was painted by Mr. Parish, who puts them up all right, and generally gives satisfaction in both work and price. Those who wish sign and other painting done should not forget to call on him.

The New Post Office.

The subject letter to Judge Merrimon will be read with interest by those who feared a brick instead of a stone structure for a post office and court room would be erected in this city.

We hear much talk about the inferior quality of our stone, we never heard of it before—Let our people look to it that the stone nearest the building be used, provided it be good and suitable. If there is doubt as to the quality of the stone, Prof. Kerr might be consulted. We must not import granite from New Hampshire or Rhodeston, even when we have it so near home and in such abundance. It is hard enough to buy our bread, meat, beans and clothes from the North.

We entered a store yesterday and seeing a barrel of white beans, we asked where they grew, and to our astonishment were answered New York. Where were your cranberries grown? In New Jersey, say your apples? In New York. We hope Professor Kerr and the rock cutters will let the proper authorities know where good granite can be obtained for the new post office.

TRAMWAY DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF SUPERVISING ARCHITECT.

December 9th, 1873.

Mr. A. S. Merrimon, U. S. Senate:

DEAR SIR—My wife last year at this time was confined to her bed with Chronic Liver Disease. I had one of the best doctors to see her, and he gave her up to die, when I came upon some of your medicine. I bought one bottle and commenced giving it. She then weighed 95 lbs; now she weighs 140 lbs. and is robust and hearty. She has taken eight bottles in all, so I can not advocate for your medicine. WM. MARSH.

LIBERTY OF PHYSICIANS.—It has always been said that physicians would disparage any remedy, however valuable, which they did not originate themselves. This has been disproved by their liberal course towards Dr. C. AYER'S preparations. They have adopted them into general use in their practice, which shows a willingness to countenance articles that have intrinsic merits which deserve their attention. This does the learned profession great credit, and effectually contradicts the erroneous notion that their opposition to proprietary remedies is based in their interest to discard them. We have always had confidence in the honorable motives of our medical men, and are glad to find it sustained by the liberal welcome they accord to such remedies as AYER & Co.'s inimitable remedies, even though they are not ordered in the books, but are made known to the people through the newspapers.—New Orleans Delta.

THE GREAT PHILADELPHIA CENTENNIAL.

Will be held in spite of the cracking of Hoop.

Mr. Ripston, of New York, who by virtue of his having found in Paris a manuscript copy of Franklin's autobiography, thinks he must take charge of the American Revolution and its monuments. As manuscript is a stipend (see success) for labor will unite with capital "to a man" to bring about the grand result, and with local and national interests so closely interwoven, it would be extremely fully to neglect otherwise. So good by Mr. Ripston—our review, Ripston—our review! We carry up the design for the World's Exposition and Centennial, and the "Century" is now "Barley Sheaf" Cooking Stove improved—Philadelphia manufacturers, that will surely astonish and delight the sentimental millions of the National Centennial. Write to Messrs. Stone, Peterson & Co., the manufacturers, for their "Centennial ideas."

THE COOK-HOUSE OF THE BODY.—The food that has been cooked in the kitchen must be cooked in the stomach before it can be applied to the nourishment of the body. As a means of facilitating this second cooking, in cases where the process is slow and imperfect, a "Digestion" is a most valuable and indispensable article. It promotes the generation of heat in the living laboratory in which the crude materials for building up and repairing the human frame are burned, less one or two shillings, and that is not all. It acts beneficially upon the cellular membrane which covers the gastric juice, upon the liver, which produces that gastric juice, and upon the vessels that receive the digested food, and upon the absorbents which convert the digested nutriment into the elements of circulation. If any person has indigestion, flatulency, or any other ailment of the stomach, or if he wishes to improve his digestion, health, and the production of supple, life-sustaining energy.

Divine Service Today.

Services will be held in the following Churches today. We also publish the time of meeting of the Sabbath Schools:

Methodist Episcopal, (Clinton Street.)

Rev. A. W. Mangum, officiating. Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

South Side School—W. J. Young, Superintendent, 9 A. M.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Pinhook, officiating. Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

South Side School—W. J. Young, Superintendent, 9 A. M.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Mason, officiating. Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

South Side School—W. E. Anderson, Superintendent, 9 A. M.

REFORMED CHURCH, (Pine Street.)

Rev. J. A. Trimmer, officiating. Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

South Side School—Edw. T. Gray, Superintendent, meets at 7 P. M.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Litchford will take place at 3 o'clock, P. M. to-day, from the Baptist Church.

The Berger Family.

This company gave their first entertainment last evening at Tucker Hall. There was a good audience, though the weather was unfavorable. The performance was chaste, unique and entertaining throughout. The music was delightful, and the audience appreciative. The comic portions of Sol Smith Russell were faintly mirth-provoking.

The lateness of the hour at which we write precludes the extended notice to present which this exhibition deserves. We will only add that the entertainment of the Berger Family fully merit the high eulogiums bestowed by the press of other cities, and we trust that all of our citizens who love good music, and prefer amusements that are meritorious and modest, will give this admirable troupe the benefit of crowded houses during their stay.

The Concert at the Baptist Female Seminary.

On Friday night Dr. L. Von Meyerhoff presented for the first time, in Raleigh, the young ladies of that institution in a musical rehearsal, before a select audience of ladies and gentlemen.

The character of the entertainment was of the highest order and the Dr. had an excellent opportunity not only to manifest again his marvellous skill as a performer, but to convince the audience of his unrivaled success as a teacher, which was fully proved by the startling performance of the pupils under his charge. The principal feature of the entertainment was the successive presentation of the pupils according to the time during which they had received instruction; and it was interesting to observe the regular graduation progress, as they successively performed. We can congratulate L. Von Meyerhoff upon his success as a teacher.

High Prices.

It has long been evident that many who desired to purchase a Lock-Stitch Sewing Machine for domestic use, or other, perhaps, as an aid towards procuring a livelihood, were deterred from doing so by the high price of a Lock-Stitch Machine, with the various appliances necessary, costing more than many felt willing to pay.

Various cheap machines were put in the market, making curious and fancy stitches; but in the end, on account of repairs constantly needed, time lost when they would not work, and garments spoiled when they would work, they proved more expensive than the Lock-Stitch Machine; and the seams that were warranted to take out easily—if you knew how—had a way of taking themselves out at a time and in a manner never anticipated by the wearer.

In view of these facts, ELIAS HOWE, the original inventor of Sewing Machines, resolved to give the world a Lock-Stitch Family Sewing Machine that should combine all the best points of his previous machines, with such improvements as his long experience and ripe judgment should suggest; to a word, the best possible machine, to be sold at the minimum of price, relying upon the large sales made to follow the introduction of a strictly first class machine at a moderate price.

The Howe Machine can be obtained of J. R. FERRALL, at No. 7, Fayetteville St., at N. Y. prices, and on easy terms.

The public will please bear in mind that after other Machines are sold at \$100 dollars, the Howe Machine is sold at \$75.

J. R. FERRALL, Raleigh, N. C.

STATE NEWS.

Wilmington has the largest Drains this week. The Chapman firm are performing them.

Mr. John Coffin Wood, an old and renowned citizen of Wilmington, died in that city on the 10th inst.

The Clinch Register has suspended temporarily. Contentions of subscribers, please, etc. We trust it will be able to get on its feet, and resume its issue of paper currency.

WARRICK'S BARNY.—Head of the Raleigh Times, very indignantly inquires, "Where is Sergeant Warrick? There is a great opportunity for him to show what he is made of by carrying the American flag through Cuba now."

ANNOUNCEMENT OF A MAIL ANONYMOUS.—The Wilmington Star says that C. A. Hayes, United States Agent on the Wilmington, Columbia and Annapolis Railroad, was arrested in that city on the 13th inst., by agents of the Post Office Department. Hayes resides at Marine, South Carolina, and is a brother of the Secretary of State, of South Carolina. The cause of his arrest has not yet been made public.

What the law to exclude Northern Candidates in three months old, when you can get it fresh every day at Hopper & Cook's "Enterprise" Factory. This is a new book enterprise and is a credit to the city. Their New French Catalogue are prepared by competent judges and are equal to any made by the best manufacturers in New York, and they have the advantage of always having it fresh. Give them a trial, they make the best ready ever offered in this market.

MARKETS.

Noon Report.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 13.

Noon—Cotton quiet and unchanged; Sales 10,000 bales; speculation 42,000; no transaction.

Later—Sales include 400 American; upwards nothing below good ordinary; shipped December and January 85-16; ditto, nothing below low middlings, to be delivered in December at 8 1-4; new Cumberland cut 40.

New York, Dec. 13.

Stocks active and irregular; gold 10; money seven bid; exchange—long 87 5/8, short 93-4; Governments strong; State bonds quiet.

Cotton springing offered, demand moderate; Uplands 16 1-4, Orleans 16 5-8; Feb 16 6-16 to 16 3-8, March 16 11-16 to 16 7-8, April 17 to 17 1-8, May 17 7-16 to 17 1-2; Flour quiet and unchanged; Corn quiet and unchanged; Pork firm—new 16-25; Lard quiet and steady—western steam 8 1-16; Turpentine quiet at 40 1-2; Rosin quiet 2 00 to 2 05 for strained.

Midnight Report.

New York, Dec. 13.

Cotton—Net receipts 596 bales; gross receipts 4,930 bales. Futures closed firm, as follows: December, 15 9-16 to 15 5-8; January, 15 29-32 to 15 15-16; February, 16 7-16; March, 16 7-8. April 17 1-16 to 17 1-8.

Cotton quiet and firm; sales 552 bales at 16 1-4 to 16 5-8.

Money easy at 4 1/2; sterling firm at 87 5/8; gold strong at 101-4 to 101 1/4; Government and dull; States quiet and nominal.

BANK STATEMENT.—Loans increase two and one-eighth million; specie increase one and one-eighth million; deposits increase eight million; legal tenders increase three and seven-eighths million.

NONPARK, Dec. 13.

Cotton steady; low middlings 14 3-8.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 13.

Cotton firm and in active demand; middlings 15.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 13.

Cotton firm; middlings 15 3-4; low middlings 15 1-4; strict good ordinary 14 1-4; gross receipts 169; exports coastwise 122; sales 203; stock 16,041 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 13.

Cotton—uplands nothing below good ordinary shipped November 8 3-8; ditto shipped January and February 8 1-16; ditto nothing below low middlings shipped December and January 8 3-8.

CITY COTTON MARKET.

CONFERRED DAILY BY W. C. STROBACH, GROCER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 13.

Cotton—sales 122 bales, at 14 3/8; Market closed firm.

Raleigh Market.

CONFERRED DAILY BY G. T. STROBACH & BRO., MARKET SQUARE.

December 13.

COTTON YARN, per bunch..... 1.40 to 1.50

LEATHER SUEDE..... 0.75 to 0.80

LEATHER UPPER..... 0.60 to 0.70

LEATHER HAINBAND..... 0.50 to 0.60