

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DECEMBER, 19.

Mr. Speaker Robinson called the House

to order promptly at 10:30 a. m.

The reading of the Journal disposed

with on motion of Mr. —

Leave of absence, granted Messrs. An-

derson, of Davis, Lindsay, Blythe, Whit-

naut, Carter, Bryan, of Wilkes, Copeland,

Marler, Waugh, of Onston, Waddell and

Standford.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Bryan, of Sampson, petition from

citizens of Sampson county against the

sale of liquor in certain localities.

Mr. Trivett, petition to build a public

road in his county.

Mr. Sneed, petition from citizen of

Mannon, in the county of Warren, asking

the incorporation of said town.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Woodhouse, submitted a report

from the committee on railroads, plank-

road and turnpikes.

Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg, from com-

mittee on propositions and grievances.

Mr. Grady, from committee on corpora-

tions.

Mr. Mitchell, from committee on public

printing.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

Mr. Perry, of Bladen, bill to amend

chapter 80, private laws of 1871 and 1872.

Mr. Richardson, bill to re-enact chapter

76, laws of 1870 and 1871.

Mr. Maxwell, bill to prohibit the sale

of liquor in certain localities in Sampson

county.

Mr. Richardson, a bill to cure certain

defects.

BILLS.

Bill to allow the commissioners of

Stany county to levy a special tax, passed

its third reading.

Bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous

liquors within three miles of what is

known as the "Ore Knob" Copper Mine of

Ash county, passed its second reading.

Resolution of instruction to North Car-

olina Senators and Representatives in

Congress on the tobacco tax, passed its

several readings.

Mr. Rhodes moved to suspend the rules

and put the bill on its third reading.

The rules were suspended and the bill

was read and passed its third reading.

Bill to change the time for holding the

Superior Courts of Randolph county, 7th

Judicial District, was amended and passed

its several readings.

Bill regulating the sale of spirituous

liquors in Salisbury and Mocksville, passed

its several readings.

The bill from the Senate to amend an

act to change the dividing line between

the counties of Granville and Franklin

was read.

Hughes, col., moved to postpone until

January 15th. Not agreed to.

Mr. Sneed called for the yeas and nays.

The bill was suspended and the bill

passed its second reading.

The bill to require the owners of seines

at or near the mouth of Chowan river to

stake out the middle of the channel and

for other purposes.

The Speaker announced the special or-

der being the consolidation bill.

The House receded from this amend-

ment: That if the North Carolina

Railroad Company, through its boards of

directors or otherwise shall remit any of

the provisions of this act, or if any of its

provisions shall be decided to be uncon-

stitutional, then all powers, franchises,

rights and privileges herein granted, shall

be void and of no effect.

Mr. Craig moved to reconsider the vote

by which the House receded.

Mr. Trivett moved to lay the motion to

reconsider on the table. Carried.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Or-

angeal Fish and Oyster Company, passed

its several readings.

The Senate bill to defray certain clerical

expenses in the Secretary of State's

HOME AFFAIRS.

Cotton.

This great staple brought 14 cents in

Raleigh yesterday, but it was weak at

that price.

Pay Up.

Persons owing for the DAILY SENTINEL

during the session of the Legislature will

please call at the clerk's office and settle.

Valuable Property for Sale.

We call particular attention to the sale

of large and attractive real and personal

property advertised in our columns, by H.

H. Williams, Esq.

Personal.

Our sanctum was illumined by the pres-

ence of Prof. J. Abner Harrell, editor of

the Henderson Tribune, on yesterday. He

was hearty and helpful.

Drowned.

We learn that a negro was drowned in

Cape Fear river at the Buckhorn mines,

on Wednesday last. He was on a car load-

ed with ore, and was thrown into the

river.

Remarkable Weather.

The "oldest inhabitant" can scarcely

remember such a December. The weather

is as pleasant as October, and even straw-

berry vines are looked into the belief that

Spring-time has come again.

The Minstrels.

Dupre & Benedict gave their last en-

tertainment on Thursday night. We un-

derstand they had a fair house. We did

not attend as one night was quite enough

for us.

Error Corrected.

The Wilmington Journal informs us

that we were mistaken in saying, that the

Ordination sermon at Hillsboro, was

preached by Bishop Lyman. It was

preached by Bishop Lay.

Busy Day.

From the appearance of our streets yester-

day it must have been a busy day

among the merchants. At one time we

could have counted one hundred and six-

ty-seven wagons and carts. A gentleman

tells us that there were at least three hun-

dred in town.

The Best Iron

In front of the SENTINEL office is a

specimen of iron ore red hematite from

the mines of Dr. R. K. Smith, near Lock-

ville, in Chatham County. Professor

Kerr says it contains fifty per cent of iron.

Miners, and those wishing to purchase,

would do well to visit Chatham and the

Doctor.

Elegant Work.

We learn that Mr. Kraus is painting

some very rich and beautiful fresco in St.

John's Catholic Church. He has devel-

oped certain ideas of Rev. Father McNa-

murs in a most skillful and artistic man-

ner. From what we learn, the specimens

in fresco thus far executed are incompar-

ably better than any others to be found in

the State. It is thought that Mr. Kraus

will have completed his work before

Christmas. The paintings on the ceiling

are now complete, and as the church is

open every day, the public are at liberty

to inspect this superb specimen of fresco

art.

Peace Institute.

Those interested in education should

not fail to read carefully the excellent an-

nouncement of the Peace Institute, one of

the ornaments of our city in embryo. The

Principal of this school are gentlemen of

learning and character, and have been

long distinguished as teachers. The Fac-

ulty is large and unusually able. Profes-

sor Bennett deserves high rank as a

teacher of music, and such is his known

skill that eighty pupils were induced to

avail themselves of his instruction during

the last session. The building is com-

modious, well arranged and situated in

the attractive part of Raleigh. It affords

as pleasure to give our hearty commenda-

tion to this strictly first-class female in-

stitution.

Look Out for a Rascal.

The Piedmont Press gives an account

What They Think of Us.

The News seems fond of telling the pub-

lic what Messrs. Norwood and McGee

think of us and the Anderson letter. We

take it, the frequent use of these gentle-

mens names, is without their authority.

We can say to the News without fear of

being contradicted, that we are in as good

standing with the constituency of these

gentlemen as the Representatives them-

selves, and that their constituents are in

hearty accord with us on all the agricul-

ture questions of the day, such as deep

plowing, composting, clover, sheep and

bees. As well as questions of State polity

including State printing and the An-

derson letter. We pass for sterling with their

constituents on all ring questions, and

fidelity to the party, and a good average

man on all other questions.

The Odd-Fellows Celebration.

The Odd Fellows held the celebration

of their Anniversary at Tucker Hall last

night. There were some hundred and

fifty of the Order present, and quite a

large number of auditors, although it was

some hundreds absent who should have

been present. After music by the

Citizens Cornet band and singing by

quartette, Maj. Seaton Gales, the orator for

the occasion, was introduced by James J.

Litchford, Esq. It was an exceedingly

ornate, graceful and beautiful address.

There were some passages of rare excel-

lence. His apostrophe to the Hand was

genuinely eloquent and admirably

sustained, whilst his tribute to woman

was as soft and melodious "as Apollo's

lute." It was really a very pleasing and

instructive discourse, and was listened to

with unflagging interest. His theme was

the "Origin,