SENAPE.

On motion of Mr. Macon, it was Ordered, That when the Senate

Mr. Van Buren, from the Judiciary Comm tee, reported the bill giving the assent of Oc gress to an act of the Legislature of Alabar ncorporating the Catawha Navigation Comp ny, without amendment.

Mr. Baruard presented the memorial of the inhabitants of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, praying for further encouragement to do

Please to provide for the printing of fifty a second time and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, was ordered to lie on the table. The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Smith, of Marvland,

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to reconsider the indemnity granted by the aut of Sil. March, 1819, to the owners and underwriters of the British ship Union, Captain Warrington, after the period fixed by the treaty of Ghent for the termination of hostilities be ween the United States and Great Britain

On motion of Mr. Branch, the Senate then went into the consideration of Executive business; and a short time after, the Senate ad-

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, Dec. 27. mong the petitions presented to-day, we no ce the following as of a general nature. By Mr. Hall .- Of citizens of the town of Wash ngton, in the State of North Carolina, for an mprovement of the navigation over the Swash in Ocracock Inlet.

eferred to the Committee on Commerce. By Mr. Baldwin - Of citizens of Windham County, in Connecticut:

By Mr. Barnard-Of citizens of Monroe Coonty, in New York: By Mr. Dickinson - Of citizens of Rensselder County, in New York : Severally praying for protection to Domestic Manufactures, by a revi sion of the tariff on imports. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. M'Duffie-Of citizens of Abbeville and Edgefield Districts, in South Carolina, against an increase of duties on Foreign imports, by way of protection to Domestic Manufactures. Laid on

the table and ordered to be printed.

The following resolution, submitted by Mr.
Miner, on Monday last, was taken up, and read:

"Resolved, That the Secretary of War be directed to lay before this House a statement of the number of Military Land Warrants due to rs and Soldiers of the Revolutionary Wa which remain in his office uncalled for, designating the number of warrants and quantity of land due to the Line of each State, respectively. And that he also, state what number of such warrants have issued from the War Department within the

Mr. Condict suggested a doubt of the prudence of such a measure as the resolution proposed. -If the information sought for was to be published, the interests of those whom the gentleman wished to benefit would be exposed to injury, & a scene of speculation take place such as every

Mr. Miner observed, that the names of persons entitled to Military Bounty Lands were not asked for by the resolution, and would not, of course, be given. The information sought was the number of warrants due to each Line on the Continental Establishment, and the number of warrants issued during the last five years. At the last session, Mr. M. said, he had taken occasion to draw the attention of the House to this subject; and on his motion a resolution was a dopted, authorizing a committee to inquire into the expediency of extending the time for soldiers to apply for their warrants. A bill was reported, and a law passed for that purpose. At that time he learned and stated that extraordinary fact, that there were no less than 600 land warrants due to the Pennsylvania line alone. The pre sumption was a fair one, that there was a pro portionate number due to the line of every other State, existing at the Revolution; in the aggregate making some thousands of warrants, embrscing some of the first lands in Olno. In this point of view, it would be seep to be a matter of considerable importance. My purpose said Mr. M. in asking information in this precise form, mas, to attract the attention, and awaken the gentleman, from the old thirteen States, seeing te number of warrants still due to his own State, would, of course, feel a more lively interest in the matter, than he would do to learn, merely, the aggregate number of warrants due to the whole army.

Mr. Wright, of Ohio, presuming the gentleman who moved the resolution was not aware that a similar call had been made a few sessions go, called his attention to that fact; and, referring him to the documents then received from the Department, moved that the resolution lie on the table, at least till the gentleman could have an opportunity of examining them.
The motion prevailed, and the resolution was laid on the table accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Culpepper, it was Resolved, That the committee on the Post Of fice and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from Rockingham, in North Carolina, to Cheraw, in

Mr. Everett submitted the following : Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to communicate to this House (if the public interest permit) the recent correspondence between the Governments of the United States, and Brazil, and any other documents in the Department of State connected with the subject of discussion between the two Go-

Mr. Brent submitted the following : Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to inform this House (if not incompatible with the public interest) whether any representation of arrangement to or with the Mexican government, has been made, so as to enable the citizens of the United States to reco-eer debts and property belonging to them from calling the attention of Congress to the ne-persons absconding from the United States, and cessity of adopting some general system. taking refuge within the limits of that Govern ment; and whether any steps have been taken to establish the boundary of the United States between the State of Louisiana and the Province

f Texas. On motion of Mr. Van Rensselser, it was Ordered, That, when an adjournment for to day shall take place, the House will adjourn to meet again on Monday next, the 31st instant-

## PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

The Annual Reports from the several Depart-ments at Washington are so voluminous, that we find ourselves able to give but an abstract of each-sufficient, however, we believe, to satisfy the general reader

Navy Report-This document contains much important informations and invites the attention of Congress to many topics closely connected with the interests of that efficient arm of national defence. The Secretary reports that the vessels, in commission, have been employed in the manner exhibited in the last annual report. He

recommends a continuance of the force in he Mediterranean, and on the coast of Brazil and Buenos Avres, and an increase of the force in the Pacific, which cannot be made, without incr the number of vessels in commission. The state of o Agency at Mesurado is as favorable as could have been auticipated. Accommodations have been provided there for on hundred & fifty liberated Africans. Those who were sent there, previous to the prosent year, have ceased to be an expense to the Government. The effect of the laws prohibiting the slave trade, has been very salutary. It is nearly extinct in the neigh burhand . Mesurado, and if the cruises thousand copies of Militia Tactics, &c. was read of our own and other governments are vigi lant, its entire destruction is anticipated. The estimates for the year are stated at 3,043,697 dollars and 75 cents. In these estimates are included, the expense of completing and equipping, during the present year, the ten sloops of war authorized by the act of March, 1825. Under the law of last session, contracts have been made for the frames of 5 ships of the line. 5 frigates and 5 sloops of war. He recommends the establishment of a grade above that of Captains, and a Naval School. Respecting the proposed Voyage of Dis-

> covery, on which subject it will be reme abered Mr. Reynolds recently lectured in this place, the Secretary states that leave has been given to such officers of the navy. and such of the seamen, as are so disposed, and are competent, to join any private expedition of the kind, which may be fitted our. He proposes an increase of the Marine Corps, which now consists of 750 men. besides commissioned and non-commissioned officers, and some alterations in the grivernment of the corps. He introduces the subject of the Naval Hospital fund, and states, that although a deduction has been made from the pay of each officer and seaman, since the passage of the law in 1799 for its support, not a building has been completed. He recommends the appropriation for this fund, of 130,000 dollars with interest, be made by Congress, to make up the amount which was paid by the officers and seamen, and which was appropriated by the nation to other purposes. Sites for buildings for this puspose, have been purchased at Boston, New-York. Philadelphia Norfolk and Pensacola. Two buildings to accommodate a Hospital at Norfolk, and an Asylum at Philadelphia, have been commenced, and if the funds were put in a proper condition, might be completed in two years. He concludes his report, by observing, that the attention of Government to this subject is required by considerations of humanity, justice and po-

War Report .- The Report of Secretary Barbour afforded us much gratification .-He renews an expression of his entire satisfaction at the moral and military condition of the Army. Its officers, he says, are "essentially exempt from the degrading vice of intemperance."- fle hopes that the unalterable determination, never to pardon where a sentence of a Court Martial has convicited of this offence, will have the effect to cleanse the army from this blot. Notwithstanding the increased pay and allowance given to the officers, by the last Congress, the amount required, to meet the demands of the Department, for 1828, is less than that of 1827 by about a million of dollars. He recommends an attention to some former reports of the Major General proposing an alteration in the terms of enlistment, and an afteration in the organi zation in the department of the Commissary General. He likewise recommends the erection of buildings in or near New-York, and New Orleans, as proposed, by the Quarter-Master General, and the establishment of an Army Asylum. The condition of the West Point Academy is very favorable, and in selecting candidates for admission, the Secretary states, that he has taken one from each congressional district. The Engineers's Corps has been constantly employed in survey, either for national or private purposes. The attention of the Department, during the past season, has been directed to the great Western National Road, Olio and Chesapeake Canal, Baltimore Rail Road, a communication between James River and the Western waters, improvement of the navigation of the Tennessee River, and the Florida Canal. The Lead Mines promise an annual supply of ten millions of pounds, a tythe of which, received as rent by the Government, would be more than sufficient fort he purposes of the Army and Navy .-Four hundred and forty three of the Revoadjusted, and refers to the correspondence on the subject, for an explanation of the cause of failure. He refers to the successful treaty with the Winebago cribe of Indians, and the surrender of those belonging to mem, who were concerned in the murder for bettering the condition of the Indians, and providing for their removal from our

Post Office Report. - From the President's Message and other sources we had already been made acquainte I with the very encouraging star of the General Post Office Department; and Mr. McLean, in his statement, amply confirms our high raised hopes. The receipts above the expenditures, amounted to 160,312 dellars. Within the last year an augmented transportation of the mail has been authorized of 425,214 miles annually in stages, and on horseback or in sulkies, 500,082 miles .-The Post Offices have increased to 7000.

Prefixed to the new Waverly Novel, eutitled " The Chronicles of Canongale," is an avowal by Scott of the authorship, & of the motives which induced him to preserve his incognite.

## Ceneral Assembly.

SENATE. Saturday, Dec. 29.

Mr. Jones from the Military Committee, whom was referred a resolution on the inbject, reported that it is inexpedient to make any afteration in the Militia Laws, as to the time, which Captains shall keep tablish a Turnpike Road, in Burke connmen under arms.

Mr. Ramsav presented a bill relative to H. from the same Committee, to whom the sale of the estate of Infants. Mr. was referred the report of the Commis-Brodnax a hill to amend an act passed in sioners appointed to ascertain the practica. 1825, to continue in force the provisions bility of uniting the wa ers of Lockwood's of an act passed in 1818, directing a road to be laid out and opened from Leaksville discharged from its further consideration. n Rockingham, by Rockford in Surry to Wilkeshorough. Read the 1st time.

Cape Fear passed its first reading. The bill in repeal the 2nd, 3d and 4th ates to fill the vacancy. sections of an act passed in 1819 pre-cribing the manner of assessing lands in this State, so far as relates to Anson, and the time and ordered to be enrolled. hill requiring the Register of Orange, to Mr. Borden presented a bill, directing keen his office at the Court House, were the way in which runaway slaves may be read the 3d time and ordered to be enroll-

Mr. Owen from the committee of Finance, to whom a resolution in relation to insolvents and Blank Licenses, was referred, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate

on the subject. Mr. Reinhardt presented the petition of John Davis of Lincoln for a pension and Mr. Shuford the petition of Thomas Martin, to be restored to credit, which were

The resignation of Francis Young Col. of Iredell, was read and accepted.

Monday, Dec. 31st.

bill to amend an act passed in 1825. for the better regulation of the town of Beaufort, which bills passed their first reading.

Received from the House of Commons. amend the several acts, concerning a Poor and ordered to be enrolled. House in Beaufort county-to allow the blish a Turnpike Rold in Haywood-to authorize the County Court of Rowan, to appoint a committee of finance and to mend an act passed in 1825, to provide for the payment of Jurors in Wayne. These bills were read the first time, and subsequently the second and third times and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Picket, from the Judiciary Committee, made a report in relation to the laws concerning usury, stating that it is inexpedient to legislate with regard to any amendments to them.

The names of Thomas G. Stone and William Bellamy, were added to the no mination for Colonel of Cavalry, attached to the 16th Brigade.

A message was sent to the House of Commons and agreed to, proposing to ballot to morrow, for Cavalry Officers, at tached to the 5th Brigadge and 7th Division. R. B. Garey is in nomination for Colonel; Solomon Pender for Lieut. Colonel and Jesse A. Bynum for Major.

The engressed bill to incorporate the Zion Relief Society of North Carolina, was rejected, and the bill to regulate the fees of the Pilots of Ocracock, &c. was indefinitely postponed.

Tuesday Jan. 1.

Mr. Vanhook presented a bill, to authorize the Person Library Company to sell or dispose of their books and property belonging to them. Mr. Hurst, a bill imposing an | nel of the 2d Regiment of Burke Militia, additional tax on suits in the Superior and County Courts of Duplin. Mr. M'Eachin | same regiment, were read and accepted. a bill for the better regulation of the county Courts of Robeson. Mr. Williams of Martin, a bill to authorize the securities of Edward Griffin, late Sheriff of Martin, to collect arrears of taxes for 1825 and 1826 -which passed their first reading, & subsequently the second and third reading. Mr. Shober, from the Com. on Prop. &

dit Thomas Martin of Rutherlard county. litia Affairs, reported a bill making it the Mitchell a bill to encourage the destrucment of Stokes Militia, to convene their bill for the more convenient Administrathe centre of the district : and

to Jane Becknall of Ashe county, property | Montgomery. These bills were read the bers of Assembly, &c. in Washington, was hereafter acquired-which were read the first time, and during the day, with the indefinitely postponed. first time and subsequently the second and third time.

Mr. Shober, from the committee of propositions and grievances, reported a resolution to place John Davis of Lincoln, on he Pension list, which was read the first

A number of engrossed bills, from the ry, which was concurred in. House of Commons, had their first read-

the estate of Infants-the bill concerning Common Schools. Concurred in. the Committee of Finance in Montgomery Mr. Gary from the Committee of Proption, and the resolution in favor of J. Millthe bill prescribing the time for the sale & Griev, made unfavorable reports on the wee of Mecklenburg, were indefinitely of land and slaves in Ashe—the bill to petitions of John Logan and wife of Ru- postponed. compel the County Court of Nush to ap- cherford and Benjamin Rhodes of Chatham, point a Committee of Finance—the bill to and Mr. Bynum from the Committee of incorporate St. John's Lindge in Lenoir- Claims reported unfavorably on the petitithe bill to incorporate Enfield Lodge in on of Wm. Welch. Concurred in. Halifax—the bill to regulate the sale of Mr. Battle presented a bill to compet the Book, containing a number of papers, land, and slaves in Northampton, were the County Court of Nash to appoint a which appear to belong to a Mr. Rhodes, of read the Sd time and ordered to be en- committee of Finance. Read the first Wake county. The owner can receive the same

The engressed bill to encourage the denitely postponed.

The bill to repeal certain note therein named, was indefinitely posponed, \$2 to

## HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Saturday, Dec. 29. Mr. Hill from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported a bill to estv, which was read the first time. Mr. Folly and Elizabeth River, begged to be

The resignation of Micajah T. Hawkins. Colonel of Cavalry attached to the 17th The bill to improve the Navigation of the brigade, was read and accepted. Giteon

The bill to legitimate Duncan Melvin and others of Bladen, was read the first

apprehended. Read the first time.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the the third and engrossed. North-Carolina Gold Mining Company

was read the first time. A message was received from the Sen-

ate, asking the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz: a bill to provide for the payment of Jurors in Nashto amend an act passed in 1823, respect ing the reservations of certain Indians in the lands lately acquired by treaty, from the Cherokee Indians-to compel inspectors of fish, lumber &c. in the County of Carter-Com. of the 2nd Regiment of the militia et, to perform military duty and work or roads-to alter the place of holding a separate election in New Hanover county; bill supplementary to the acts relative to Mr. Ward, from the select committee, the power of the Courts of Equity in cases to whom was referred the Report of the of partition-concerning the appointments Adjutant General, reported a bill to erect of Clerks of the Superior Courts, & Clerks an Arsenal on the South west corner of the land Masters in Equity-to incorporate the Capitol Square. Mr. Fuller presented a Nashville Male and Female Academyconcerning the election of County Survey. ors in Burke, Rutherford, Buncombe. Wilkes, Ashe and Haywood--to regulate the payment of the salary of a message, stating they have passed the the Public Printer and prescribing the more convenient administration of justice, Calvin Blackman sheriff of Wayne and in the County Courts of Caswell-to in- one in favor of the Administrator of Tho-

Sheriff of Carteret, travelling fees, when Sheriff of Carteret, when compelled to cate process—the bill to incorporate Zion Relief Society, of North Carolina, the bill authorizing Ann Fewell to erect a gate across a public road—the bill to establish a Turnpike road in Haywood-the bill to Academy in Sampson, and the bill authorizing the County Court of Rowan, to apthe second and third times and ordered to be engrossed.

The resolution in favor of J. Thompson, was rejected.

The bill authorizing the Wardens of the Poor of Mecklenburgs to erect a Poor House, passed its whird reading and was ings ordered to be enrolled.

EVENING SESSION. Richmond Academy, to raise \$10,000 by way of Lottery, was rejected on its second | tion, which was concurred in.

Be infort and to amend an act passed in time and ordered to be enrolled. 1823, providing for the payment of Jurors in Wayne, were read the third time and & for other purposes—the bill supplemen-

persons in Hyde, from serving on Juries, and concerning the dockets of the Courts of Equity, for the county of Columbus and the resolution in favor of Jesse Rogers were postponed indefinitely.

The resignation of Peter Billew, Colo and of David Newland, Lieut. Col. of the

Monday, Dec. 31.

Mr. Spruill presented a bill to incorporate Enfield Lodge in Halifax. Mr. Kilpatrick, a bill to incorporate St. Johns Lodge in Lenoir. Mr. Mitchell, prescri-Grievances reported a bill to restore to cre- | United States, a point of marsh on the otherwise. south side of Neuse river, for the purpose Mr. Jones, from the Committee on Mi- of erecting thereon, a light house. Mr. Sampson. And, Mr. Allen, a bill con-Mr. Williams of Martin, a bill to secure | cerning the Committee of Rinance, in exception of the bill presented by Mr. The bill concerning the town of Edentimes and ordered to be engrussed.

to whom was referred a resolution as to the expediency of amending the Bastardy dered to be engrossed. laws, reported no alteration to be necessa-

On motion of Mr. Stewarf, the House pence of advertising. struction of wolves, in Ashe, was indefi- resolved to receive no private bill after Tuesday.

Mr. Busbee presented the following res

clution, which was adopted : Whereas, when property is sold by execution many persons claim the same without really having title thereto, and whereas such claim pro-

vents the said property from selling at its proper Resolved, therefore, that the Indie

mittee be instructed to enquire into the expe-ency of so amending the exist of laws as compel claimants to file an affidavit, EVENING SESSION. The engrossed bills, to compel Inspectors

of fish, lumber &c. in Carteret to perform

militia duty and work on the road-to provide for the payment of Incore in Nashto alter the place of boiling one of the parate elections in New Hanover-to reder valid, certain acts of the acting corner of Stokes and authorizing J. Waildell of Randalph to erect two Gates, were read M. Green and William Davis are candid- the third time and ordered to be enrolled. The bill to regulate the sale of land and slaves, so far as regards Northampion

County-the bill to repeat an act passed in 1826, appointing commissioners to build a new Court-House in Surry and a bill to compel the County Court of Nash, to appoint a Committee of Finance, were read

The bill to divorce Hugh Reed from his

wife, was rejected. Mr. Hill presented a bill, for the better regulation of the towns of Newbern and Wilmington, which had its first reading, and subsequently the second and third time and was ordered to be engrossed, as was the bill to alter the time of helding the County Court of Davidson.

The engressed bill temprovide more effectually, for the Representation of the stock of the State, held in the State Bank. was read the first time.

Tuesday, Jan. 1. Mr. Boon presented a bill, concerning the number of Justices required in the removal of certain officers. Mr. Little, a bill prescribing the manner in which lands shall be advertised for sale for taxes, in Anson county. Mr. Walker, a bill prescribthe time, at which County Trustees for Randolph shall be elected walf make their settlements. Mr. Hill; a bill to lacorporate the Henrietta Steam Boat Company of following bills in which they ask the 'con | manner in which printing shall be done for | Favetteville, which bills passed their first currence of the Senate, viz :- For the the Departments-a resolution in favor of reading, and with the exception of the first named their second and third readings.

Mr. Hill presented a bill, to continue corporate the Trustees of the Holly Grove mas Elliot of Mecklenburg. These bills in force, the act of 1823, directing a Geo Academy in Sampson-to authorize Ann and resolutions were read the 1st time logical and Minerangical survey to be Fewell, to erect a gate-to explain and and subsequently, the 2nd and 3d times made of the State of North Carolina. Mr. Brevard, a bill to extend the provisions of To bill to allow travelling fees to the an act passed in 1828, granting further time to perfect titles to lands Mr. G.scompelled to go to Ocracock, &c .- to esta- travel to Ocracock or Portsmouth, to exe- ton, a bill to amend an act passed in 1715, to appoint Public Registers and to direct the mode to be observed, in conveying lands, goods and chattels and for preventing fraudulent deeds and mortgages. Mr. Gaston, also a bill to prohibit vice and imincorporate the Trustees of Holly Grove | morality in the vicinity of the University, and her other purposes. And Mr. Jones of Rowan, a bill to amend the 6th section point a Committee of finance, were read of the act of 1820, to provide for the payment of the civil list. Proposes a reduction of the Billiard table tax.

The engrossed bill to amend an act passed in 1825, for the better regulation of the own of Beaufort and the resolution in fav-I Parham Kirk, passed their first read-

Mr. Spruill, from the select committee, to whom was referred the bill directing The bill authorizing the Trustees of the the manner of apprehending runaway slaves made a report and recommended its rejec-

The bill to repeal an act concerning the The bill to establish a Work-house in County Court of Hyde was read the third

The bill for the protection of securities tary to the several acts now in force, for The engressed bills to exempt certain | the relief of Insolvent debtors-the bill t repeal a part of the 3d section of an act passed in 1806, relating to the Militia laws. of this State, as regards the Infantry; & to repeal the 9th & 10th sections of an act passed in 1813, to amend the Militia lawsthe bill respecting certain reservations claimed by Indians in the land lately acquired by treaty from the Cherokees, were read the third time and ordered to be en-

The resignation of Calvin Blackman, Major of the 1st Regiment of Wayne, was read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler, the Board of Internal Improvements were instructed bing the time, for the sale of land & slaves to enquire into the propriety of redeeming in Ashe. Mr. Blount, a bill to cede to the the lands of Ahosky Swamp, by drain a

EVENING SESSION.

Mr. Wm. Bozman presented a bill to duty of the Field Officers of the 2d regi- tion of Wolves in Ashe. Mr. Boykin, a repeal an act passed in 1824, to alter the place of holding General Musters in Washregiment within a convenient distance of tion of justice in the County Courts of ington, which passed its three readings and

The bill concerning the election of mem-

Blount, were read the second and third ton-the bill making it the duty of Major-Generals to review the first regiment of Mr. Adams from the select Committee Edgecomb militia at their usual muster ground, were read the third time and or-

The bill to amend an act passed last session, to establish a Poor House in Pitt. Mr. Morehead from the Committee of and the bill concerning the election of Education, recommended the rejection of County Surveyors in Burke, Rutherford. The bill to erect an Arsenal on the Cap- the bill referred to them, to repeal the act &c were read the third time and enrolled. itol square—the bill relative to the sale of creating a fund for the establishment of The bill granting to the Superior Courts The bill granting to the Superior Courts of Moore, original and exclusive jurisdic-

## Pocket Book found.

applying at this office, and praying the ex-AUSTIN FOR.

Raleigh, Dec. 13, 1827.