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SENATE.

MONDAY, NOV. 18, 1872.

FIRST DAY.

The Senate met at 12 M. and was called to order by Col. W. L. Saunders, Principal clerk of the last Senate.

The Districts were called and the following Senators presented their credentials and were sworn in by Mayor Whitaker:

Allen, Avera, Barnhardt, Chamberlain, Cowles, Cramer, Cunningham, Davis, Dunham, Ellis, of Catawba, Ellis, of Columbus, Eppes, Fleming, Grandy, Gudger, Harris, Hill, Holloman, Horton, Humphrey, Hyman, King, Long, Love, Mabson, McCabe, McCotter, Merrimon, Miller, Morehead, of Guilford, Murphy, Morehead of Rockingham, Murray, Nicholson, Norwood, Price, Respass, Scott, Seymour, Stafford, Stilley, Todd, Walker, Waring, Welch, Worth. 46.

Messrs. McCanly, Smith, Powell, and Troy were absent.

The Clerk announced a quorum present.

Mr. Murphy moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a President *pro tempore*. Carried.

Mr. Allen nominated Mr. James T. Morehead, of Guilford.

Mr. Seymour nominated Mr. Grandy.

The roll was called and the Senate vote as follows:

FOR MR. MOREHEAD: Messrs. Allen, Avera, Barnhardt, Cowles, Cunningham, Davis, Dunham, Ellis of Catawba, Ellis of Columbus, Fleming, Gudger, Horton, Humphrey, Love, Merrimon, Miller, Morehead of Rockingham, Murphy, Murray, Nicholson, Norwood, Price, Scott, Stafford, Todd, Waring, Welch and Worth—28.

FOR MR. GRANDY: Messrs. Chamberlain, Cramer, Eppes, Harris, Hill, Holloman, Hyman, King, Long, Mabson, McCabe, McCotter, Respass, Seymour, Stilley, Walker, Worth.—16.

Mr. Morehead, of Guilford, voted for Mr. Allen.

Mr. Grandy voted for Mr. Stilley.

Mr. Morehead having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected.

Messrs. Grandy and Love conducted the President *pro tem* to the chair, who, on taking his seat said that on assuming the position to which his brother Senators had assigned him, he might follow the example of his many predecessors, and make suggestions; but when I look around me I feel that it would be presumptuous in me to do so.—However, I hope party and the animosities of the recent campaigns will be forgotten, and that one and all will labor for the best of the glorious Commonwealth of North Carolina. The President then invoked the indulgence and aid of the Senate in the discharge of his duties, and announced that the next business was the election of Principal Clerk.

Mr. Murphy nominated Mr. W. L. Saunders.

Mr. Harris nominated Mr. R. B. Howell, of Alexander.

The vote was called and Mr. Saunders received 29 votes and Mr. Howell received 16.

Mr. Saunders was declared duly elected.

The next business being the election of Reading Clerk, Mr. Humphrey nominated Col. W. H. H. Cowles, of Wilkes.

Mr. Stilley nominated Mr. W. K. Moore, of Beaufort.

The vote was called and Mr. Cowles, received 29 votes and Mr. Moore 17.

Mr. Cowles was declared duly elected.

Mr. Scott nominated Mr. James E. Morris, of Craven, for Door-Keeper.

Mr. Mabson nominated Mr. Edwin F. Martin, of New Hanover.

The roll was called and Mr. Morris received 29 votes and Mr. Martin 17.

Mr. Morris was declared elected.

Mr. Love moved to postpone the election of Assistant Doorkeeper until to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Lost.

Mr. Love nominated Guilford Christmas, of Warren, for Assistant Doorkeeper.

Mr. Respass nominated Mr. J. P. Ochletree, of Alamance.

The roll was called, and Mr. Christmas received 26 votes, and Mr. Ochletree 19.

Mr. Cowles voted for M. Douglas.

The President qualified the Clerks and they took their seats and entered upon their duties.

Mr. Norwood moved that a message be sent to the House of Representatives notifying that body that the Senate was organized and ready for business. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Fleming, Mr. Allen was granted five days' leave to attend court.

Mr. Avera moved that the Senate adjourn until this evening at 7 o'clock. The yeas and nays were called and the motion was lost, yeas 22, nays 23.

Mr. King moved that the Senate proceed to elect an Engrossing Clerk.

Mr. Love moved to lay that motion on the table.

The yeas and nays were called and the motion was laid on the table, yeas 25, nays 16.

On motion of Mr. Love the rules of the last Senate were adopted for the government of the Senate for the present.

On motion of Mr. Love the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 11 A. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FIRST DAY.

MONDAY, Nov. 18, 1872.

At 12 o'clock m., the House was called to order by Dr. W. W. Gaither, Clerk of the last House of Representatives.

The roll of counties was called, when the following Representatives elect appeared, presented their credentials, were qualified and took their seats, to wit:—

Messrs. Abbott, Anderson of Clay, Anderson of Davie, Bennett, Bryan of Alleghany, Brooks, Blackwell, Bowe, Bullard, Brown of Davidson, Ballard, Blythe, Bryson of Jackson, Brown of Mecklenburg, Bryant of Pitt, Bean, Bryant of Sampson, Bryson of Swain, Badger, Bryan of Wilkes, Byrd, Carson of Alexander, Corson of Beaufort, Carter, Craige, Copeland, Dickey, Davis, Dudley, Darden, Dula, Ellison, Foster, Freeman, Fletcher, Gant, Gidney, Gray, Gilmer, Godwyn, Grady, Gudger, Godfrey, Gorman, Guyther, Houston, Hanna, Hughes, Haynes, Hinnant, Johnston, Jones of Caldwell, Jones of Camden, Jones of Northampton, Jones of Orange, Johns, King, Lutterloh, Lindsey, Lloyd, Luckey, Moring, Michael, Mabson, Morrison, McLaurin, McGehee, McNeill, Maxwell, Mitchell, Marler, Norment, Perry of Wake, Patrick, Presson, Paschall, Richardson, Robinson, Reid of Mecklenburg, Reid of Randolph, Rhodes, Shinn of Cabarrus, Shinn of Iredell, Stanford, Stowe, Sharpe, Scott, Shaw, Shackelford, Settle, Trivett, Turner, Todd, Warlick, Webb, Winslow, Woodhouse, Williamson, Wiley, Watson, Whisnant, Waugh, Whitmire.

[When the county of Martin was called, Messrs. Jas. Edwin Moore and J. R. Mizell each presented certificates of election, but under the ruling of the Clerk, Mr. Moore was sworn in.]

A quorum appearing, the Clerk announced that nominations for Speaker were in order, whereupon,

Mr. Stanford nominated Mr. J. L. Robinson, the Representative from Macon, and

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, nominated Mr. Richard C. Badger, one of the Representatives from the county of Wake.

The House proceeded to vote (Messrs. Stanford and Guyther acting as tellers) for Speaker.

Those who voted for Mr. Robinson are:

Messrs. Anderson of Davie, Anderson of Clay, Bryson, Byrd, Badger, Brown of Mecklenburg, Ballard, Bryson of Swain, Bryan of Alleghany, Bennett, Blackwell, Carson of Alexander, Craige, Carter, Dickey, Freeman, Gant, Gidney, Gilmer, Grady, Gudger, Houston, Hanna, Haynes, Hinnant, Johnston, Jones of Caldwell, Jones of Orange, Johns, Joyner, Jones of Tyrrell, Lindsey, Luckey, Moring, Moore, McGehee, McNeill, Maxwell, Marler, Morrison, Mitchell, Norment, Outlaw, Presson, Richardson, Reid of Mecklenburg, Shinn of Cabarras, Stanford, Stowe, Shaw, Shackelford, Settle, Turner, Todd, Warlick, Waddill, Webb, Woodhouse, Watson, Waugh, Whitmire, Wiley—62.

The following gentlemen voted for Mr. Badger, viz.:

Messrs. Abbott, Brown of Davidson, Bowe, Blythe, Bean, Bryant of Pitt, Bryan of Wilkes, Brooks, Bunn, Copeland, Corson of Beaufort, Davis, Dudley, Darden, Dula, Ellison, Fletcher, Foster, Gray, Godfrey, Gorman, Guyther, Goodwyn, Hughes, Jones of Northampton, Jordan, Jones of Camden, Lutterloh, Lloyd, Michael, Mabson, McLaurin, Perry of Wake, Patrick, Paschall, Robinson, Rhodes, Reid of Randolph, Sharpe, Scott, Trivett, Williamson, Whisnant, Winslow.—44.

Mr. Robinson having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected, and was conducted to the chair by Messrs. Badger and Moore. He returned thanks in a few pertinent remarks, and announced that the House would proceed to its further organization.

Mr. Jones, of Caldwell, nominated Stephen D. Pool, of Craven, for Principal Clerk.

Mr. Darden nominated Martin V'B. Gilbert, of Wake, for the same position; whereupon,

The House proceeded to vote, Messrs. Jones, of Caldwell, and Gorman acting as tellers.

Mr. Pool received 62 votes and Mr. Gilbert received 45 votes.

Mr. Pool was declared elected, was qualified and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

The House then proceeded to the election of Assistant Clerk. Mr. Waugh nominated Washington M. Hardy, of Buncombe, and Mr. Bean nominated C. S. Moring, of Rowan. Mr. Hardy received 61 and Mr. Moring received 44. Mr. Hardy was declared elected.

The House then went into the election of Principal Door-Keeper, when John H. Hill, of Randolph, received 62 votes and James Page, of Randolph, received 41 votes.

On motion of Mr. McGehee, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

SENATE.

SECOND DAY.

TUESDAY, Nov. 19, 1872.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. President *pro tem* Morehead, of Guilford, in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. J. *M.* Atkinson.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. McCauley, the Senator from the 27th District, *Mr.* Troy, from the 16th District, and *Mr.* Smith, from the 21st District, appeared, presented their credentials, were sworn and took their seats.

Mr. Flemming introduced a bill to be entitled an act to alter the Constitution of the State. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Merrimon introduced a bill in relation to the public debt. Referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion of Mr. Morehead, of Rockingham, a Committee of three on Rules of Order was appointed, to report on Thursday morning. The Committee consists of Messrs. Morehead, of Rockingham, Murphy and Respess.

On motion of *Mr.* Ellis, of Catawba, the Senate went into the election of Engrosing Clerk.

Mr. King nominated John H. Becton, of Carteret, and

Mr. Waring placed in nomination the name of J. McLeod Turner, of Buncombe.

Mr. Turner received 29 votes and *Mr.* Becton, 16.

On motion of *Mr.* Love, a message was sent to the House of Representatives proposing to go into the election of Enrolling Clerks.

Mr. Grandy offered a resolution in favor of John L. Wood, Sheriff of Pasquotank county. Allows him until the first of January, 1873, to collect taxes and settle with the Public Treasurer.

On motion of *Mr.* Cowles, the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Nicholson introduced a preamble and series of resolutions in regard to internal revenue; requesting the Senators and instructing the Representatives in Congress from this State to use their influence to have the revenue laws abolished, or to favor an act providing for the collection of said revenue by State officers.

Referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances.

A concurrent resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Polk, went over for one day, under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, a message was sent to the House proposing to raise a joint committee to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the Senate was ready to receive any message he might desire to transmit.

The President announced Messrs. Murphy and Stilley as the Senate branch of said committee.

Mr. Welch reminded the Senate that the two houses were required by law to meet in Convention at 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of counting the vote cast for State officers in August last.

Mr. Norwood said that no message had been received from the House informing the Senate of the organization of the former body.

A message was received from the House in regard to the organization of that body, naming the officers elected.

A message was received from the House, concurring in the Senate proposition to raise a committee to wait upon the Governor, and announcing House branch.

Message received from the House inviting the Senate to the Hall of the House at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Murphy, from the Committee to wait upon the Governor, reported that His Excellency would send in a message at 12 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Norwood, a message was sent to the House, notifying that body that the Senate would proceed to the Hall of the House at the hour named by law, for the purpose of counting the vote for State officers.

On motion of Mr. Waring, the use of the Senate Chamber was tendered to the Trustees of the University, this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, of Catawba, the Senate, at 12 o'clock, preceded by the President *pro tem*, proceeded to the House.

At 1:45, the Senators returned to their Chamber, and were called to order.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the Senate adjourned till 3:15 this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, proceeded to the House to join the Convention.

—— O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senators returned to their Chamber, when the President *pro tem* called the Senate to order.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning, 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SECOND DAY.

TUESDAY, Nov. 19, 1872.

House met at 11 o'clock. Speaker in the Chair.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The following members elect, presented their credentials, were qualified and took their seats, viz: Howell C. Moss, of Wilson, F. C. Miller, of Bertie; C. L. Shinn, of Iredell; G. W. Cox, of Pitt; W. S. Carter, of Hyde; W. H. Bryant, of Sampson; Richard G. Snead, of Granville; James Heaton of New Hanover.

Mr. Luckey offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

That the rules of the last House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this body.

Mr. Badger moved, that the House having been organized on yesterday, that a message be sent to the Senate, informing that body of the fact, also of its readiness to proceed to business. Adopted.

Mr. Gorman moved that the House proceed to the election of assistant Door Keeper. Adopted.

Mr. Luckey nominated John E. Carter of Rowan.

Mr. Mabson nominated W. H. Kesler of Rowan.

Messrs. Luckey and Lutterloh were appointed tellers.

Mr. Carter received 65 votes and Mr. Kelser received 46 votes.

Mr. Carter was then declared duly elected.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate was duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

Mr. Waugh moved that the House proceed to elect an Engrossing Clerk. Adopted.

Mr. Gorman on placing in nomination Miss L. McCandless of Stokes county, said, in substance: Mr. Speaker, that this nomination is an inovation upon the usage which has governed this House for several years past, but recollecting that at one time, during the late war, a lady was elected to this position, who acquitted herself with marked commendation, I have been emboldened to repeat the experiment. The lady I nominate is eminently qualified for the position, and I have no doubt will fill the office with the same fidelity which characterized the exception to which I allude.

I was pleased to observe, Mr. Speaker, in your remarks on yesterday, that you feelingly exhorted the members of this House to lay aside party trammels and work with an eye single to the honor and glory of our old mother State. I united in the sentiment, emanating as it did from the representative choice of the majority, as the dawn of a new era in politics, and an omen of good to our people. I have as yet, however, failed to observe, in Legislation, any marked change from the ordinary programme. But in the nomination which I now make, an opportunity is offered for a beginning in that line. I offer no political partisan for your votes. I know not even the party affiliations of her kindred, and as an olive branch of peace, and in accordance with the patriotic sentiment you expressed on yesterday, I appeal to the gallant and chivalrous feeling that has ever actuated North Carolinians, to give Miss McCandless the position of Engrossing Clerk to the House.

Mr. Waugh nominated Mr. A. H. Hoyden of Rowan.

Mr. Boyden received 60 votes and Miss McCandless received 49 votes. Mr. Boyden was declared duly elected.

A message was received from the Senate proposing to raise a joint committee of two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and to inform him of the organization of the General Assembly and of its readiness to receive any communication he may deem proper to make, and designated Messrs. Murphy and Stilley as the Senate branch of that committee.

Mr. Badger moved that the House concur in the recommendation of the Senate, which was carried and the Speaker designated Messrs. McGehee, Johnston and Badger as the House branch of the committee.

Mr. McGehee, from the Joint Committee to wait upon the Governor, reported that they had performed their duty, and announced that the Governor would communicate with the House at the hour of 12 M.

Shortly after, the Door Keeper announced a message from the Governor, and at the invitation of the Speaker, the Private Secretary came forward, bearing the Annual Message of the Governor, accompanied by reports of the various heads of Departments.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that that body had concurred in the proposition to proceed to count the votes given in the August election for Governor and other State officers.

The Door Keeper announced, a few minutes after 12 o'clock, the approach of the Honorable Senate.

The Senators were received with the usual honors and invited to take seats on the left side of the Hall, which had been vacated for them.

Mr. President Morehead took his seat with the Speaker of the House.

The Speaker then read extracts from the law, directing the General Assembly to open and count the election returns, &c.

Mr. Gorman then said he proposed to make a motion to the effect that if any returns were lacking that they should be sent for.

The Speaker referred the gentleman to the laws governing such matters.

After the appointment of Messrs. Norwood and Seymour, on part of the Senate, and Messrs. Moore, of Martin, and Badger on the part of the House, a committee to verify the count, the Speaker proceeded to open the returns from the various counties, and read out their contents.

Pending the completion of the count, the Joint Assembly took a recess until 3:30 P. M., on motion of Senator Dunham.

The Senators retired to their Chamber.

The House then came to order. Mr. Patrick was granted a leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Waugh the House adjourned until 3:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3.25 the House was called to order by Mr. Speaker Robinson.

The Governors message was taken up as unfinished business and its reading commenced, but pending its completion, the hour for the Joint Session of the two Houses (3.30) arrived and the Senators again assembled in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker recommenced the count of the returns of the August election. Before the count had been completed, on motion of Senator Dunham the joint assembly took a recess until to-morrow morning at 11.30. The Senators retired to their Chamber.

On motion the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SENATE.

THIRD DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 20, 1872.

Senate met at 11 o'clock.

Mr. President Morehead in the Chair.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Todd introduced a bill to prevent the spreading of disease among cattle. Referred to Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Norwood introduced a resolution to raise a joint select committee on the State debt and liabilities. Lies over under the rules.

Mr. Dunham rose to make a report, and stated that he with others was appointed a committee at the last session to examine and audit the accounts of the State Treasurer. Report read and ordered to be printed.

A message was received from the House of Representatives to the effect that that body was ready to go into the election of Enrolling Clerk. Message concurred in.

Wm. J. Wilson of the county of Haywood and J. J. Giles of Randolph, were placed in nomination.

Upon the joint ballot Mr. Wilson received 89 and Mr. Giles 55 votes.

Mr. Wilson was declared duly elected.

The hour having arrived, the Senators proceeded to the House to finish counting the vote for State officers.

The Senators returned to their Chamber at 1 o'clock, when, on motion of Mr. Avera, it adjourned until to-morrow morning 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THIRD DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 20, 1872.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Speaker Robinson in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Blythe.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

By Mr. Blythe: A joint resolution no member of either House shall be entitled to *per diem* when absent from his seat, except when sick or absent on business of the General Assembly. Placed on the calendar.

By Mr. Badger, the following resolution:

"*The General Assembly of North Carolina do resolve*, That the Congress of the United States are respectfully requested to remove the disabilities imposed by the fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States on Wm. A. Graham, of Orange county, State of North Carolina, William N. H. Smith of the city of Raleigh, State of North Carolina, and Burton Craige of Salisbury, Rowan county, State of North Carolina."

A message was received from the Senate proposing to go into the election of Enrolling Clerk. The proposition was concurred in and a message to that effect ordered to be sent to that body.

The reading of the Governor's message was proceeded with.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, the further reading of the message was dispensed with, and that a message be sent to the Senate with a proposition to print twenty copies for each member.

Mr. Waugh of Surry, moved to amend the motion by adding fifty copies for the use of the Executive Department. The motion was adopted.

Mr. McNeill offered a bill to amend the law in regard to the destruction of deer in which Robeson county should be accepted.

Mr. Jones, of Caldwell, said he would offer a bill repealing the chapter.

Mr. Marler, of Yadkin, moved a postponement until Tuesday week. Adopted.

Mr. Badger, of Wake, moved to insert two more names to his former resolution. David Coleman and D. H. Hill, of Mecklenburg.

Mr. Moore, of Martin, suggested thet the matter be left opon for several days, as other names might appear.

Mr. Badger accepted the suggestion, as he intended it to apply to every person in North Carolina.

Mr. Houston of Catawba, moved that a committee of five be appointed to revise and report rules for the proper order of the House. Adopted.

The Speaker appointed the following: Messrs. Houston, Bennett, Badger, Blythe and Craig.

Mr. Houston moved that the rules be suspended and Mr. Badger's resolution be taken up.

Mr. Johnson of Buncombe, moved to insert the name of Gen. J. G. Martin of Buncombe.

Mr. Bennett of Anson, moved to add all the citizens of North Carolina.

Mr. Badger thought it would be best to state special names, as the United State Congress would not pass a general bill.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, moved to add the name of James A. Craige.

Mr. McGehee said this was the first application of removal of disabilities. It would be heralded by all. He was sorry to see any obstruction thrown in the way, though he thought the resolution came with peculiar grace.

Mr. Bennett said, he did not desired to be understood as offering any obstruction to general amnesty.

Mr. Lucky moved to add the name of James A. Craige of Rowan County.

Mr. Moore, of Martin, moved to add the name of General Robert Ransom, of Granville County.

Mr. Bennett, of Anson, moved to add the name of Jas. Hill, of New Hanover.

Mr. Brown of Mecklenburg, moved to add the name of George R. Davis, of New Hanover.

Mr. Jordan, of Montgomery, moved to add the name of W. H. McRay, of New Hanover.

The hour having arrived for the election of Enrolling Clerk, the House proceeded.

Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg, put in nomination Mr. W. J. Wilson, of Haywood.

Mr. Bean put in nomination Mr. J. L. Giles, of Randolph.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Outlaw and Dula to superintend the election, with the following result: Wilson 28—Giles 11. The joint vote was reported to be, Wilson 89—Giles 55.

At 11½ o'clock the Senate proceeded to the House of Representatives to continue the examination and counting of the vote for Governor and other State officers.

Senator Seymour of Craven, offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That a committee of five; two from the Senate and three from the House, be appointed by the Speaker of the House to examine the returns of the Sheriffs of the different counties, and report to the Joint Session of the General Assembly, what returns are defective and what steps should be taken by the Joint Session in accordance with conviction.

The speaker appointed the following committee: Messrs. Seymour and Dunham on the part of the Senate. Messrs. McGehee, Badger and Bennett on the part of the House.

Senator Seymour, of Craven, moved that when the Joint Session adjourned, it adjourn to meet again in two weeks from to-day, Wednesday, December 4th. Adopted.

Senator Seymour, of Craven, moved that the publication of the result of the vote of the Governor and other State officers be postponed until Wednesday, December 4th. Adopted.

Mr. Abbott, of Craven, asked for a leave of absence for Mr. Dudley, of Craven, for four days. Granted.

Mr. Settle of Rockingham, introduced a bill to amend chapter 89 of the laws of 1868.

Mr. Badger of Wake, introduced a bill in regard to the time of holding Courts.

Mr. Joyner of Johnston, introduced a bill for the relief of Simon Godwin, tax collector of Johnston county.

Mr. Norment of Robeson, asked for leave of absence for Mr. O'Neill of Robeson, for two days.

Mr. Badger objected.

Leave of absence was granted Mr O'Neill for two days.

A communication from the Keeper of the Capitol, was read and tabled.

Mr. Brown of Mecklenburg, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be instructed to send to the Sheriff of Gates, Jones, Moore, Rowan and Watauga and direct them to make returns of the votes of their respective counties for State officers without delay.

On motion of Mr. Goodwyn of Halifax, the House adjourned till 10 o'clock, A. M. Thursday.

SENATE.

FOURTH DAY.

THURSDAY, Nov. 21, 1872.

Senate met at 11 o'clock.

Mr. President Morehead in the Chair.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Merrimon desired to have his vote recorded in favor of Mr. Wilson for Enrolling Clerk, as he did not vote on yesterday, being absent. Allowed.

Mr. Morehead, of Rockingham, from the committee on Rules of Order reported. Read and adopted.

Mr. Troy moved that the rules be printed together with the joint rules when reported. Adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Nicholson, bill entitled "an act to amend the charter of the town of Statesville." Read and referred.

Mr. Price, bill entitled "an act for the relief of the sureties of the late Wm. A. Walton, sheriff of Rowan county." Referred.

Mr. Waring, a bill for the relief of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Franklin county. Referred.

Discussion arose in regard to reading bills on their first reading—whether they should be read by title or through, participated in by Messrs. Love, Murphy, Waring, Welch and others. The President decided they should be read through according to the rules.

Mr. Fleming, bill entitled an act to repeal the code of civil procedure and enact an act in lieu thereof. Referred.

Mr. Murphy, bill entitled an act to incorporate the N. C. Life Insurance Company. Referred.

Message received from the House in regard to heating the Capitol building. Concurred in.

Message received from the House transmitting the Governor's message, with a proposition to print 50 copies for His Excellency and 20 for each member. Read and concurred in.

Message received from the House stating its concurrence in Senate proposition to print the report of the committee appointed at the last session to examine the Treasurer's accounts.

Mr. Worth reported Mr. Powell, Senator from Chatham county, as being sick.

RESOLUTIONS.

Senate resolution to raise a joint select committee on State debt and liabilities, was taken up and adopted.

Resolution in favor of Fenner J. Satchwell, sheriff of Beaufort, was taken up.

Considerable debate arose on this resolution, participated in by Messrs. Love, Respess, Murphy, Dunham and others. Our space will not admit of a report.

The question was put and the resolution did not pass.

The Chair announced Messrs. Murphy, Grandy and Davis as Senate branch on joint rules of order.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

[NOTE—In the report of Senate proceedings of Tuesday the Reporter unintentionally omitted to state that Mr. Respess introduced a resolution in favor of Fenner Satchwell, Sheriff of Beaufort county, allowing him until January 1st, 1873, to settle with Public Treasurer. Being a concurrent resolution, it went over one day.]

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FOURTH DAY.

THURSDAY, Nov. 21, 1872.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock.

Speaker Robinson in the Chair.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Chair announced committee on Privileges and Elections, to consist of the following gentlemen: Messrs. Johnston, Jones of Caldwell, Shackelford, Whitmire, Craige, Norment, Dula, Guyther, Stowe, Rhodes, Moring, Settle and Badger.

Mr. Houston from the committee on Rules submitted a report.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, a resolution asking our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to have the tax on liquor reduced and the bonds of the manufacturers reduced. Placed on Calendar.

Mr. Blythe, a resolution asking our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to have the Bankrupt law so amended as to put it within the reach of poor men. Referred.

Mr. Mitchell, a resolution asking our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to reduce the tax on producers of tobacco. Referred.

Mr. Fletcher, a bill to incorporate the town of Rockingham, Richmond countp. Referred.

Mr. Bean offered a bill to amend Section 1, Chapter 68 of the Revised Code. Referred.

Mr. Waugh a bill to alter the Constitution of North Carolina. Referred.

Mr. Reid, of Randolph, offered a bill to amend chapter 189, of the laws of 1871–'72. Referred.

Mr. Dula introduced a bill to amend chapter 178 of the laws of 1868–'69. Referred.

Mr. Jones of Caldwell introduced a bill to repeal chapter 68 of the laws of 1871–'72. Referred.

Mr. Jones of Northampton, introduced a bill to authorize the commissioners of Northampton county to levy a special tax. Referred.

Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg, offered a bill in favor of R. I. White. Referred.

Mr. Moring a bill to provide for the election of Superior Court Judges by the people of the respective Districts, and for filling vacancies. Referred.

Mr. Dula a bill to amend chapter 68 of the laws of 1871–'72.

Mr. Badger introduced the following resolution:

"*The General Assembly of North Carolina do Resolve*, That William W. Holden be relieved of the disqualifications to hold office of honor, trust or profit, under the state of North Carolina imposed upon him by judgment of the Senate of North Carolina setting as a Court of Impeachment on the 22nd of March, 1871." Placed on the Calendar.

The Chair announced the following gentlemen as Judiciary Committee:—Messrs. Bennett, Moore, McGehee, Morrison, Johnston, Craige, Badger, Moring, Settle, Bowe, Brown of Meck-