

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1874

REPUBLICAN RESOLUTIONS.

Common Schools and the Western North Carolina Railroad.

The republican members of the legislature, in joint caucus assembled, representing, as they believe, the unanimous feeling of the republicans of North Carolina do

Resolve, first, That the education of the poor children of the State, so shamefully neglected in the past, is a duty the performance of which we have attempted to obtain from this general assembly, controlled by a large democratic majority, and in which we have failed, but we shall never cease our efforts to obtain the same at the hands of the government of North Carolina, and we confidently rely upon the people to sustain us.

2. That it is the best interest of the people of North Carolina, that her great works of internal improvement shall be pushed vigorously to completion, and that to end every available resource shall be applied.

3. That the true economy dictates that the vast mineral and agricultural wealth of our trans-montane counties should be unlocked and poured into the markets of the world, by the speedy construction of both branches of the Western North Carolina railroad, both to Ducktown and Point Lookout, and the republicans east of the mountains pledge themselves to co-operate with the people of the west in any and all plans which will accomplish this end.

AUG. S. SEYMOUR,
Pres't Republican Caucus.
EDWARD R. DUDLEY, Secretary.

Our Insane Asylum.

In the face of many publications made in allegation of wasteful extravagance in this institution, the following figures were found by a select committee of the legislature to be correct:—

In comparing this institution with eighteen other like institutions of prominence in the United States, it is found that the average cost of a patient is \$5.52 per week—\$28.64 per annum, while the cost in the North Carolina institution is \$5.10 per week, or \$26.52 per annum, per capita.

Hon. W. A. Smith.

The senate proceedings of yesterday, as published in the *Examiner* this morning, present another scene of the disgraceful democratic fight on William A. Smith.

If such personal legislation does not damn the party, and bring the men in disgrace who attempt it, then the spirit and good sense of the people of North Carolina is very much misanderstood.

It is enough to say that, in ability and character, Mr. Smith is the equal, to say the least, of any gentleman of this legislature who has attacked him; so the people have been pronounced, and so they will again pronounce in tones of terror to the small men who have thus sought to direct the legislation of the State against a single individual.

These attacks but make Mr. Smith all the stronger before the people and in the confidence and respect of intelligent gentlemen, while they afford his friends a splendid opportunity to attest their regard and high respect for him.

William A. Smith has cause to be proud of his friends in this legislature and in the State. No man ever had friends to stand more devotedly by him than these have done during the conflict of this personal legislation.

Personal Correspondence.

In another column of the *Examiner* appears a correspondence growing out of a misunderstanding between Dr. Eugene Grissom, superintendent of the insane asylum, and Capt. W. H. Bryant, a member of the house of representatives from Sampson county.

In giving this matter to the public, the *Examiner* desires to say that both gentlemen have acted throughout in a spirit of just regard for each other, and of proper respect for themselves.

The aggrieved party sought nothing of the other that a gentleman of courage and character may not always under such circumstances concede; and the entire correspondence is free from every intimation of meanness, as all correspondence seeking pacific arrangement should be.

In withdrawing language which Dr. Grissom esteemed personally offensive, Captain Bryant has in no sense compromised himself as a gentleman of well known courage and a man of honor; for whenever insult, not intended, is given, or a reflection is unpremeditatedly made, a man of honor should always retract it, and a gentleman of courage always will.

The conduct of Dr. Carson in this matter has been that of a most perfect gentleman, a reputation long established where he is known, and Captain Bryant could have found no better person into whose hands to commit his honor and his name.

It were well for the peace and quiet of every community if the misunderstandings and private quarrels of individuals could always be submitted for peaceful arbitration to such a gentleman as Dr. J. M. Carson, the representative from Alexander county.

Senator Brownlow's Letter.
KNOXVILLE, Feb. 12.—The *Daily Chronicle* of this city, publishes a long letter from Senator Brownlow to-morrow, on the civil rights bill. He declares the bill, and says it would destroy the free schools in the South. He advises the colored people to tell congress that they do not want mixed schools. He also favors the issue of more currency.

To the Public.

As the basis of arrangement of a misunderstanding between Dr. Eugene Grissom, superintendent of the insane asylum, and Capt. W. H. Bryant, a member of the house of representatives from Sampson county, the correspondence below is submitted.

WM. A. HEARNE,
J. M. CARSON.

RALEIGH, Feb. 12, 1874.

DR. GRISSOM TO MR. BRYANT—NO. 1.

RALEIGH, Feb. 10, 1874.

RALEIGH, N. C.:

SIR:—In the *Sentinel* of this morning I find the following language in an article of which you informed me a while ago you were the author, and responsible for:—

Mr. E. G. seems to grow weary that any one should be so foolish as to suppose that the insane asylum is an extravagance. He indulges in epithets that do not apply at all to the facts set forth by C. as to the price of articles furnished the asylum and the wages of employees was taken from the report of the joint committee. Both houses appointed to investigate that matter. Then if the facts and figures are like a coward run. For when a coward does not intend to fight, he makes great pretensions in order to scare his antagonist.

As I am publicly known to be the "E. G." referred to in your article, I am to infer that you intended to reflect on me as a gentleman and a man of courage. I therefore request you to withdraw the language of your article this morning, as to myself, in a manner as public, and through a channel as broad as the attack is made.

My friend, Mr. Wm. A. Hearne, will bear this request of mine, and the whole matter, on my part, is in his hands.

Very respectfully,
EUGENE GRISSOM.

MR. BRYANT TO DR. GRISSOM, NO. 2.

RALEIGH, Feb. 11, 1874.

Dr. E. Grissom:—

SIR:—Your note handed me by Mr. W. A. Hearne, demands of me that I retract certain language used in my reply to your communication in the *Examiner* of the 4th inst. You said that the author of the article in the *Sentinel*, in relation to the expenditures of the insane asylum, was an ignorant, cowardly scoundrel. I had with you a few days before that article appeared. I concluded you thought I wrote it, and in my reply in the *Sentinel*, signed C. I took back the epithets. When you take back yours I will mine. I have no ill-will towards you, and did not intend my language to be offensive to you, and have no wish to quarrel with you. You are a gentleman, and have spoken in the highest terms of your management of the institution.

W. H. BRYANT.

My friend Dr. Carson will bear you this note.

W. H. B.

MR. HEARNE TO DR. CARSON, NO. 3.

RALEIGH, Feb. 11, 1874.

DR. J. M. CARSON,

Raleigh, N. C.:

SIR:—Mr. W. H. Bryant's letter of this date, through you, to Dr. Eugene Grissom, is received, in which Mr. Bryant says: "When you take back yours (Grissom's language) I will mine." In his card in the *Aer*, of a certain date, Dr. Grissom had no reference to Mr. Bryant, nor the author of the *Sentinel* article; nor does he now understand that Mr. Bryant was the author of that communication. On the contrary he is informed that Mr. Bryant did not write the said communication.

But in his avowed article in the *Sentinel* of the 10th inst., signed "C." Mr. Bryant had direct reference to Dr. Grissom, as the author of the article in the *News* signed "E. G."

I must, therefore, as the friend of Dr. Grissom, renew his request, that these words of Mr. Bryant be withdrawn, "You take back yours (Grissom's language) I will mine." For when a coward does not intend to fight, he makes great pretensions in order to scare his antagonist.

Very respectfully,
WM. A. HEARNE.

DR. CARSON TO MR. HEARNE, NO. 4.

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MR. W. A. HEARNE:—

SIR:—You say that Dr. Grissom says he "had no reference to Mr. Bryant, nor the author of the *Sentinel* article." Nor does he now understand that Mr. Bryant was the author of that communication. On the contrary he is informed that Mr. Bryant did not write the said communication.

With this declaration on the part of Dr. Grissom, I comply with his request, and withdraw from Mr. Bryant the offensive language, to wit:—"You take back yours (Grissom's language) I will mine."

Very respectfully,
J. M. CARSON.

Ex-Gov. Vance of North Carolina, is in the city of Baltimore.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NIGHT SESSION.

TUESDAY, Feb. 10.

A bill allowing commissioners to omit advertising in newspapers, passed its several readings.

A bill empowering the commissioners of Jones county to levy a special tax, not to exceed a taxation of 10 cents, passed.

Mr. Scott explained the bill. He said the debt of the county was about \$6,000, and they wanted to get rid of at least half of it.

Mr. Seymour moved to amend the bill, so that it should read, "the debt of the county, but not to exceed a taxation of 10 cents."

Mr. Davis announced that Mr. Dunham, the senator from Wilson, was expected at his room on account of sickness.

CALENDAR.

The bill to change the line between the counties of Bladen and Cumberland, was taken up.

Mr. Grandy said the absence of the senator from Bladen, as an act of courtesy, prompted him to ask that the bill be passed over.

Mr. Troy objected, and offered an amendment to the bill.

Mr. Cramer said the amendment ought not to be adopted in the absence of the senator from Bladen, as the adoption of the amendment would call for the yeas and nays.

Pending the call, Senator Hill appeared in the chamber.

The amendment offered by Mr. Troy was adopted.

Mr. Seymour then offered the following amendment:—"Add to the title of the bill the words 'to enable the democratic party to elect a representative to the county of Cumberland.'" The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Troy offered another amendment concerning elections in said territory, which was adopted.

The bill passed its several readings.

Immediately after the passage of the bill, the democrats observing that the bill was passed, concluded to *crash*, when Mr. Nicholson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed. Adopted.

Mr. Murphy moved to strike out the amendment to the title. Adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Bill to amend an act passed during the present session, and for other purposes, passed its several readings.

Bill to be entitled an act in relation to the county of Franklin, passed its several readings.

Bill to amend the charter of the county of Guilford to sell the present jail site of the county and purchase another, passed its several readings.

Bill to incorporate harmony hill cemetery in the county of Iredell, passed its several readings.

Bill to amend the charter of the New River canal company, passed its several readings.

Bill to amend the charter of the Rensselaer canal company, passed its several readings.

Bill to incorporate Pess Dee manufacturing company, passed its several readings.

Bill to charter the Jamesville and Washington railroad and lumber company, passed its several readings.

Bill to authorize the town of Newton to take stock in a railroad, and for other purposes, passed its third reading.

Bill to incorporate the town of Elizabeth in the county of Bladen, passed its third reading.

Bill to incorporate the town of Suragado, in the county of Columbus, passed its third reading.

Bill to incorporate Fred Love Lodge, No. 169, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, passed its second and third readings.

Bill to prohibit the remanding of prisoners to the county of Guilford, passed its several readings.

Bill to provide a room for the Supreme Court records. Passed its several readings.

Bill following messages from the house were announced.

Bill concerning an act for the relief of executors and Administrators being chapter 59, laws of 1869.

Bill in relation to the payment of costs by the State. Referred.

Bill to incorporate the town of Shoe Hill in the county of Robeson. Resolution in relation to immigration, and the celebration of "Saint Patrick's, the anniversary of the birth of Saint Patrick, the Irish patriot."

Mr. Fleming moved to suspend the rules, and to pass the resolution on its passage. Agreed to.

Mr. Ellis, of Columbus, said that he did not think this a proper subject for discussion, and at the instance of Mr. Nicholson, moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Welsh hoped that the motion to lay on the table would be withdrawn, and asked leave to offer the following amendment.

Resolved, That the representatives and senators do most solemnly declare that in our deliberations and publishing the same, we will not be influenced by any consideration of party, and we will not be influenced by any consideration of party, and we will not be influenced by any consideration of party.

The motion to lay on the table did not prevail.

The motion to reconsider prevailed, and the question recurring upon the passage of the bill, its third reading, the yeas and nays were demanded and the vote resulted in a defeat of the bill, yeas 32; nays 47.

On motion of Mr. Gorman the resolution was adopted to inaugurate, and the celebration of the patron saint, St. Patrick's day, in the city of Raleigh, March 17th, was taken up.

Mr. Gorman was surprised at the gentleman, Mr. B's, assailing the resolution, and he said he was especially when he assailed a gentleman who had already done so much for the cause of immigration. Many of the best citizens of Raleigh are descended from the Irish, and he was proud of his Irish blood and paid a high eulogy to this race, and these were no Buncombe resolutions, they were offered in good faith and he hoped the proposed convention would redound to much good in bringing good citizens to our State.

Mr. Reid, of Mecklenburg, wanted to know if this sectarian resolution could accomplish anything? He thought not. He was opposed

to any measure of the kind and he should like to see the resolution that should otherwise be better employed.

Mr. Guyther eulogized, briefly, the Irish and favored the house with fine recitations from Irish poets. The resolution was adopted. On motion, the house, at 10 p. m. adjourned.

SENATE.

FEBRUARY 11, 1874.

THE SENATE MET AT 7:30 P. M. The Governor, Brogden in the chair.

Mr. Seymour arose and said he desired to ask the use of this chamber to-morrow night for the purpose of holding a republican caucus. Agreed upon the condition that the senate would hold a session on to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

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following:—And for every ten days he shall have a further reward of \$1.00 placed to his credit, with the warden to be paid to him on his discharge, or sent to his family, as he may elect; and for every five dollars of commutation, he shall be entitled to a five additional days of commutation. Adopted.

And to amend further, in sec. 16, by inserting in line 31, after the word sentence, the following:—"or commutation." Adopted.

Mr. Love offered an amendment providing that a certain allowance should be allowed the convicts. Adopted.

Mr. Troy offered an additional section authorizing the board of directors, to arrange for divine worship, at the Penitentiary for the benefit of the convicts, an appropriation of \$200 for the purpose of remunerating the ministers for their services in performing this duty. Adopted.

Also to provide for the opening of Sabbath-schools in the Penitentiary, for the benefit of the convicts. Appropriates \$250, for the employment of teachers. Amendment failed.

An amendment providing that the prison discipline should be read to the convicts upon their reception and upon every Saturday thereafter. Adopted.

The previous question being ordered upon the passage of this bill, and the call for the yeas and nays sustained, the bill passed its several readings.

Mr. Norwood moved that all the proceedings on the resolution in relation to "St. Patrick's Day," be expunged from the journal. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davis rules were suspended and bill to authorize the commissioners of Franklin county, to levy a special tax, passed its third reading.

At 10:15 senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NIGHT SESSION.

February 11, 1874.

The speaker, Mr. Robinson, called the house to order at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Senate bill for the election of superior court judges and a superintendent of public instruction.

Mr. Bowman moved to postpone the consideration of the bill until Thursday, but it did not prevail.

Mr. Bennett, the chairman of the committee who reported the bill, demanded the previous question, and it prevailed, the yeas and nays being asked, the vote resulted yeas 54, nays 41. Democrats voting in the affirmative, the republicans in the negative.

Objection was made to its final reading, and it went over.

Mr. Maxwell, a bill incorporating the Wilmington, Raleigh and Roxboro' railroad company.

Mr. Bennett, a bill allowing holders of secured mortgage bonds to vote in stockholders meeting of the Carolina central railway. Referred.

Mr. Bennett, a bill incorporating the Wilmington cotton mills, was taken from the calendar, read and passed its second and third readings.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Engrossed amendments of the senate to the machine bill, which the house concurred in.

The calendar was then placed at the discretion of the speaker.

A bill incorporating the Carolina stock and poultry association of Charlotte, N. C., was taken up and passed.

An act incorporating the peoples' loan and building association, of Charlotte, N. C., was taken up and passed.

A bill incorporating the Piedmont springs company, in Stokes county, passed.

A bill preventing the donation, or sale of swamp lands to any railroad company, and that it shall only be devoted to the cause of education, passed.

A bill incorporating the farmers', stock and landholders' union aid association, New Hanover.

A resolution authorizing the governor to withdraw in the suit of Sibley vs. Western North Carolina railroad, and landholders' union aid association, New Hanover.

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A bill incorporating the Mount Airy and Central railroad.

A bill for the better protection of churches, camp grounds, &c., passed.

A bill incorporating and consolidating previous acts incorporating the town of Lumberton, passed.

A bill in relation to the public roads in Beaufort county, (provides for the widening of the roads on account of which Mr. Mitchell moved to lay it on the table, and the motion prevailed.

A bill to amend the charter of Beaufort county, introduced by Mr. Bunn, by consent.

A bill incorporating the machine and car company of Wilmington. Passed.</