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'Ours' are the plans of fair, delightful peace Unwarped by party rage, to live like brothers.'

THE END OF THE YEAR.

RALEIGH, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1854.

THE CONVENTION QUESTION.

The debate upon the various questions connected with the subject of Constitutional Reform was opened, in the Senate, on Tuesday last, by the Hon. WILLIAM A. GRAHAM, in an argument, in support of the Bill recently introduced by himself, worthy the exalted reputation of that distinguished gentleman, and worthy the best days of the State

Gov. GRAHAM gave a succinct and lucid history of our constitution, together with an account of the several conventions that have been held in the State since the adoption of the old Constitution. He showed clearly that by the adoption of the Free Suffrage Bill, the compromise of the constitution would be broken up, and that the equal dependence of all interests upon each other would be destroyed, if no other change accompanied it. He declared himself in favor of making such an alteration as would allow all who vote for members of the House of Commons to vote for Senators, provided there were inserted in the constitution a guaranty to

We do not design, however, attempting a synopsis of the powerful and conclusive argument of Governor GRAHAM. We have the written out for publication, and that we shall shortly have it in our power to lay it before our readers. We shall also publish it in pamphlet from them?" furm, and will be pleased to supply all orders

On Wednesdy, Mr. Biggs, of Martin, read a Speech in reply to Governor GRAHAM. It was what might have been expected :- a feeble effort in opposition to a great Republican princi-

On Thursday, the debate was continued by Mr. GILMER, of Guilford, (in favor of the Convention Bill, and in reply to Mr. Biggs.) in one of those strong, logical, and eminently practical arguments, for which he is so justly distinguished. stronger effort. We shall have the privilege of laying Mr. GILMER's remarks, also, before our readers, in the course of a few days-and, until that time, we defer any farther remarks.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

We have before us the Report of the Public Treasurer, D. W. Courts, Esq., to the General Assembly, for the two fiscal years ending Nov. 1. 1854. We take from it the following recapitulation of Receipts, Disbursements, &c ..designing, at some future day, to give fuller details of its contents:

1st, 1852. Receipts for 1853, 1,760,127 72 1,221,338 89

Public Fund, balance on hand, Nov.

Disbursements for 1853 for 1854,

Receipts,

The Treasurer estimates the probable receipts

into the Public Treasury, for the two Fiscal years, commencing Nov. 1, 1854, and ending Oct. 31, 1856, at \$646,286 7L and the probable disbursements at \$620,653 44. "The debt of the State," says the Tressurer,

\$1,564,474 87

\$3,169,884 38

\$152,131 31

1,605,409 51

"may be set down now at \$2,928,663 50." This debt will be increased soon to \$3,409,633 50, the Act, for the benefit of the Weldon and Gaston Railroad, and the Neuse and Tar Rivers, and of \$370,000 Bonds for the North Carolina Railroad.

The Treasurer very judiciously remarks: "After 1856, the present sources of revenue

will certainly be insufficient to supply the wants of the Treasury. Whether the N. C Railroad will be completed time enough, and if completed, will be able to declare sufficient profits to supply this deficiency, the Legisla ture will be better enabled to judge, when a report shall be presented from those having charge of that Road.

Should this be deemed doubtful, I respect fully recommend that provision be made for an adequate increase of the revenue; for, as I remarked in my last report, it is important that the public, and especially those who deal in State securities, should see a determination, on the part of the Legislature, to provide reve use for the payment of interest, and not to berrow money from year to year, to do so, which is the mere exchange of one creditor for an-

PROFESSOR ELLIOTT .- This intrepid Æronaut, who made his 110th ascension from the Fair Grounds, near Raleigh, on Monday last, after traversing the regions of space for two or three hours, alighted safely on terra firma, about six teen miles from this place, -near the plantation of LINN B. SANDERS, Esq., in Johnston Co-The ascension was every way oreditable to the still and daring of Prof. E., and afforded great | gratification to a large concourse of persons.

The pressure upon our columns excludes Editorial matter. We invite general attention committee on Propositions and Grievances. to the profound and learned argument, over the signature of "Davis," in another column. It emanates from one of the ablest pens in the State, and will strike the reader as most mas-'er f and conclusive.

own."-It was the complaint of a Christian Poet, "There is no flesh in man's obdurate heart." To this severe charge, we should be disposed to yield assent, did we restrict our views to the miseries that he unpitied, to the scenes of sorrow which no sympathy penetrates, and to those wastes of ignorance and destitution over which humanity mourns with unproductive sadness. But the charge will be mitigated by many bright exceptions, if we look for a moment to the numerous benevolent works which are daily prosecuted around us. A truce to moralizing, however,-we have to deal with

something practical; We are requested to state that a Fair and Supper, under the auspices of a number of ladies of the Episcopal Church, will come off, on Wednesday night next, the 20th inst., in the rooms beneath the Masonic Hall, and that the proceeds of the occasion are to be devoted to the relief, during the rigors of Winter, of the destitute of the City. We cannot content our selves with simply calling attenting to the philanthropic design of the ladies who have this matter in charge; we must go farther, and say, that the praiseworthy object for which they have associated deserves and demands the encouragements and the admiration of the public.

We are also requested to return, on behalf o the ladies composing the association, their sincere thanks for the generous contribution of that gallant and chivalric band,-the D. Q. I's, -to promote its charitable purposes.

The Richmond Enquirer appeals to the Democratic Know Nothings, in very affection ate terms, as follows :-

" To the Democratic Know Nothings we ap peal in all kindness and friendship. We and our nominees agree with you upon all the carthe land holder that he should not be unjustly dinal principles of party laith. We and our nominees have stood heretofore side by side with you, voting the same tickets, worshipping at the same altars, glorying over the same triumphs, and mourning over common defeats. We differ now upon one topic; why should that gratification of being able to say that it will be drive you from us? Our nominées are peither alien born foreigners nor Catholics. They are not likely to undertake to place the Pope at the head of this government. Why then turn | mittee on Internal Improvements.

> which, but a few days ago, proclaimed uncompromising hostility and bitter war against the Cnow Nothing party.

The New York Tribune, and other Seward organs, are down upon the Know Nothings with great fury. The Tribune says : "We be lieve the "Know Nothing" array is destined to prove the deadliest foe of anti-slavery, temperance, and every other reform movement." If the Know Nothings succeed in destroying the We have rarely heard a more effective or a anti-slavery faction in the country, it will be glory enough for any party or association !

The Charleston Mercury has an able article on the subject of Cuba, and argues that the acquisition of that island by the United States "would be a most perilous experiment" -and that there is no pressing need that we should make such an experiment. The Mercury discusses the matter in a calm and excellent

STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

RALEIGH, December 12, 1854. Mr. Wiggins introduced a bill to amend the 7th section Chapter the 17th of the Revised Code, entitled cattle, horses and hogs, which was referred to the Committee on Propositions

Mr. McDowell presented a resolution instructing the committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of so amending the revenue law, as to require the hirer to give in slaves subject

to taxation, which was adopted. Mr. Biggs, from the Committee on the Re vised Statutes, reported the following bills which passed their first reading : A bill concerning corporations.

A bill concerning county boundaries. A bill concerning county revenue and char-

A bill concerning county trustees. A bill concerning court houses, prisons, &c., Mr. Fisher introduced a bill to incorporate the Western North Carolina Railroad Company,

by the sale of \$111,000 Bonds, to be sold under | which was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements. The hour of 11 having arrived, the special order, being the bill to amend the Constitution

of North Carolina, was taken up upon its secand reading. Mr. Grabam moved to strike out all after the words "a bill," and insert "the bill concerning

a Convention to amend the Constitution of the After several verbal amendments to the first named bill, made on motion of Mr. Boyd, Mr. Graham took the floor and advocated the

bill concerning a Convention at some length. On motion of Mr. Hoke, the bills were haid on the table and made the order of the day for to-morrow at 12 o'clock. A message was received from the House of

Commons, proposing to raise a joint Committee of five on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate to take into consideration the interests of the University, which was concurred in.

Mr. Wilder introduced a bill to authorize the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad company to take stock in the Roanoke Valley Railroad Company, which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Hoke, the Senate adjourn-

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

House came to o journal was read.

Mr. Shipp presented a memorial asking a change in the Sixth and Seventh Judicial Circuits. Referred to committee on Judiciary. Mr. Bogle presented a memorial concerning a change of Courts in Alexander Co. Referred to committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Baxter presented a memorial on the Liquor Traffic, which, on motion, was referred to Similar memorials were presented by Mesers. Dargan and Selby, and similar reference made. Mr. S. A Williams moved to lay Mr. Selby's

nemorial on the table. Refused. Mr. A. Barnes, from the committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported favorably on

reading.
Mr. Waugh, from the same committee, re ported unfavorably on a bill to form Grahan. Co. Reported favorably on a bill for the de atruction of wild animals in Jackson Co. Re

ported unfavorably on a bill concerning attorneys at law. Mr. Jenkins moved to lay last report on the table. Carried. Mr. Waugh, from the same committee, re

ported unfavorably on a Temperance memoria Sampson Co. Mr. Settle, from the committee on Claims reported favorably on a resolution in favor W. W. Holden and J. DeCarteret.

Mr. Shepherd offered a resolution concerning that portion of the Governor's message, which relates to the University. Adopted. Mr. Jenkins offered a resolution in favor

Thomas A. Judkins, Sheriff of Warren. Referred to committee on Claims. Mr. Bogle off red a resolution in favor Reuben Watts, Sheriff of Alexander Co. R.

ferred to committee on Claims. Mr. Baxter introduced a bill to incorporate French Broad Rail Road Co. Passed first reading and referred to committee on Interna-

Mr. Sherrill introduced a bill to incorporate the town of Newton, in Catawba Co. Referred to committee on Corporations Mr. Oglesby introduced a bill in favor of Win

Improvements.

Patter and Joseph G. Robertson. Passed first reading and referred to committee on Private Mr Vance introduced a bill to incorporate

the Conference Female College in the town of Ashville. Passed first reading and referred to committee on Corporations. Mr. Smith introduced a bill concerning Free Negroes. Read first time and referred to com-

mittee on the Judiciary. [This bill provides that all free negro children, over 10 years and under 16 years of age, shall be bound out by the County Court, and all free negro children between the ages of 16 J. H. White, Whitaker, Winston, S. A. Wiland 21 years shall be hired out by the tourt, liams .- 34. and such hire shall be invested for their bene- 1 fit, and shall be paid to them at the age of 21 years; provided such negroes, shall leave the State and never return to it. The bill provides, also, for hiring out all free negroes over 21 years of age, unless such free ne_roes alall for the proper raising of their children.

Mr. Shepherd introduced a bill to amend the charter of the Fayetteville and Western Plank Road Co. Read first time and referred to com-Mr. S. A. Williams moved there be a call of

Mr. N. B. Whitfield offered a bill concerning the felling of timber on North River in Duplin Co. Read first time and referred to committee on Private Bills. Mr. Myers introduced a bill to incorporate

a Fire Insurance Co. in Charlotte. Read first time and referred to committee on Corporations: A message from the acting Governor of the State to the Speaker of the House, respecting former vacancies in the Board of Trustees, was Mr. Barringer asked if the Senate had in-

formed this House of the fact that the Speaker of that body had become acting Governor, and protested against that omission as disrespectful to the llouse. Mr. Singeltary moved to transmit the mes

mage to the Senate. Carried. The following bills were taken up for second reading:

A bill concerning the formation of limited partnerships; not read, but, on motion of Mr Steele, referred to committee on the Judiciary ; a bill to incorporate the Chatham R. R. Co .-Passed a second reading.

Mr. Headen spoke in support of the bill. A bill for the improvement of a road from Wilkes Co line, by Sheet Camp; to the Tennessee line, was amended and passed its second reading.

The bill to make a new county by the name of Alleghany was taken up. Mr. Stubbs wished to know if the population

were sufficiently large in the proposed county o entitle it to representation. Mr. Gentry, from Ashe. (mover of the bill said that according to the last census, he believ-

ed the population was not large enough. Mr. Stubbs said he hoped some investigation would take place, before the bill were allowed ment.

Mr. Shepherd supported the bill. thought the population of Ashe Co. was suffi cient for the purpose. Mr. Settle supported the bill He hoped gentlemen would not make up their minds

without some further consideration. It was a very mountainous county, and some people had to travel 60 miles to the Court House. The population had increased 70 per cent., and wastill increasing. Mr. Steele begged to protest against the for

mation of any new county, which has less than the regular population, which was the 120th part of the federal population. It was di rectly in the face of the laws made on the sub ject in 1835. He had seen this thing tried be fore, and asserted that, notwithstanding all the proofs and allegations made by gentleman in torested in these new counties, those counties were not yet constitutionally fit for representation. He referred to Jackson, Alexander, Ber tie, and Polk counties, the latter of which was subsequently abolished in consequence of defi cient population. He denied any right tomake new counties without the requisite population.

It was unconstitutio .al, and, on that ground, he would take his stand. Mr. J. M. Leach differed with the gentleman from Richmond. He said there were eight counties east of Raleigh that had not the required population. Cumberland, for instance. which had three representatives, and others .-

He eulogiced the mountain country and the people, and maintained that in a few years the poplation would be greatly increased. Mr. Steele replied, and said he would protest strongly against the bill as unconstitutional.

Mr. McKesson said he had no idea of making

any remarks, until he heard the sentiments the gentleman from Richmond. Mr. McK. knew something of the gengraphy of the country. and thought it but justice they should have their county. He hoped the members of the liouse would act as North Carolinians-that nothing sectional or political had anything to do with the merits of the bill. He regretted to find House. that his friend from Richmond had a conscience so easily upbraided—that he so rigidly confined himself to the constitution. Had he not the merits or demerits of the Constitution full tested in the otherwing of the capitola few days since, in regard to the Speaker of the Senate retaing his seat? And, as it was there fully decided that the Constitution was somewhat elastic, we could, with impunity, stretch it a little further, and give them the county prayed for. He concluded by passing a handsome poetical eulogy on the ladies of Ashe and their un-

limited hospitalities.]
Mr. Jordan supported the bill, in a speech of considerable length. Mr. Dortch moved that the House adjourn. on which motion Mr. Phillips called for the ave-

and nays. Ayes, 29; noes, 83. Mr. Dargan said that he had no intention

"TRUE CHARITY MAKES OTHERS' WANTE THEIR, the bill to form Wilson Co. Passed second saying anything on the matter, antil he felt a | Messrs. Settle, Martin and Singeltary. The | sale of spirituous liquors within three miles f breeze blowing from the other side. He irst sight as this. The gentlemen who advo ated this measure had opposed similar ones on ormer occasions, because it was the interest of different acction of the State : now, the queson concerns their own section, and they supourt it. He considered the matter unconstitu ional, and no member of this House could suport it, consistently with his oath to support the Constitution of the State. In a cursory xamination upon the statistics of population the State hehal found twenty eight counties which could be subdivided; any member might ring in a hill o cut-schone into two; and then. ustend of eighty-two, we should have one huntred and twenty counties entitled to representation on this floor. Then, the capitol, which irely accommodates the present number of tembers, would have to be pulled down and built, and the reason given for all this exonse is, that some people live sixty miles from Courthouse !

Mr. Norment made a few remarks in support Mr. Jones offered an amendment to the bill, hich we read, and, on the question, a division was called, and the amendment lost. Ayes, 42;

Mr. Amis moved that the House adjourn .-Mr. Singeltary offered an amendment to the

all, to the eff of that the act should remain in orce till the next census. Mr. Dortch moved to lay the bill together with the amendment on the table. On that notion, the ayes and noes were called by Mr.

Phillips. Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Amis, Baxter, Bogle, A. H. Caldwell, grounds; he never opposed any appropriation Chadwick, Dargan, Daniel, Davenport, Dortch. Eure, Gilliam, Gorrell, J. H. Headen, Jarvis, Johnson, Jones, Murch, Martin, Mann, Mebane, Mordecai, Myers, Outlaw, Perkins, Phillips, Rand, Selby, Simmons, Stubbs, Turner,

Those who voted in the negative were : Messrs. J. Barnes. A. Barnes, Barringer, Badnam, Black, Blow, Bryson, Bryant, Bullock, G. Bynum, J B Bynum, D. F. Caldwell, Cansler, Carmichael, Cofield, Cotten, Cook, Craven, Daughery, Dunn, Flynt, Furr, Garland, give bond and security for good behavior and Gentry, M. Green, A. D. Headen, Holland, florton, Houston, Humphrey, Jenkins, Jordan, Lancaster, J. M. Leach, Hugh Leach, Long, Love. Lyon, Mc Millan, McKesson, McDuffie. Meares, S. J. N. al. J. W. Neal, Norment, Oglesby, Patterson, Parks, Patton, Regan, Rose, Russell, Settle, Shepherd, Shipp, Shaw, Sharpe, Inornburg, Tominson. Vance, Walser, Watts, G. M. White, N. B. Whitfield, L. Whitfield, whitlock, Wilkins, B. F. Williams, C. W. Williams, D. Williams, Wright, Yancy .- 77.

Mr. Amis made some remarks in opposition to the amendment, when, on motion of Mr. Myers, the House adjourned.

SENATE. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13th 1854.

Memorials were presented by Messrs Walker Messrs. Graham, Person and Ashe were apointed the committee on the part of the Ser ie, on the University.

Mr. B ggs, from the committee on the Revied Statures, reported the following bills which passed their first reading ; A bul concerning courts of equity. A bid concerning the supreme court,

Mr. Fisher, from the committee on Internal introvements, reported favorably upon the slowing bills, which were read a second time and passed :

A bill to provide for the issue of additiona tock in the Seaboard and Rosnoke Railroad ompany.

A bill to authorize the County Court of Ma on county to levy a tax for the construction of rail road through the county A bill concerning the Fayetteville and Cen

e Plank R ad Company. Laid on the table r.d ordered to be printed. Mr. Thomas presented a memorial from 600 itizens of his senatorial district, praying the xtension of the North Carolina Railroad west o Chattanhoga in Tennessee, which was refer

red to the committee on Internal Improve-Mr Boyd, from the committee on Proposi oms and Grevances, reported the bill to emaninate John Good, with several amendments,

chich, after some discussion, passed by Ayes 28-Navs 17. A message was received from the House of mmons, transmitting a message from the actng Governor, informing the General Assembly hat there are hour vacancies on the board of rustees of the University.

The hour of 12 having arrived, the special orler being the bui to amend the constitution of ne State, was taken up. Mr. Biggs opposed, at considerable length

he amendment of Mr Grahami On motion of ar. Thomas, of Jackson, the Senate a gourne f.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13th, 1854. The House came to order at 10 o'clock, and fter the reading of the journal yesterday's uninished business (the Bill to create Alleghany ounty.) came up, on which there was considerable debating as to whether such business should come up before the regular morning

Mr. J G. Bynum said he did not think was in order to increduce the unfinished busin as before the regular morning business of

Mr Patterson said that the custom of the House had always been to proceed with the regular busi uses first, and then the unfinished business would have precedence of any other. The speaker quoted a rule in support of the

ourse adopt d. Mr. Singeltary said that gentlemen were corporations. ight with regard to the practice of this Legslature, but, for the same of a precedent, mo ved to lay the resolution on the table for the

Mr. Outlaw said he understood the chair lecide that this course of proceeding was in accordance with the rules ; he would therefore appeal from the decision of the chair to the

The speaker said it was not now in order. Mr. Outlaw said he tried to get the floor first, but the gentleman from Pitt (Mr. Singel-(ary) was too tast for him. He thought it in order now to make that appeal. to trial of capital offences. Read first time Mr. Martin said he made a motion before

either of the gentlemen, to lay the motion to

anneal on the table. Sustained by the chair. Mr. Martin's motion was rejected. The question then was on the decision of the char. Mr. Steele opposed said decision, and spoke of the custom of the Legislature. Mr. Bast r took the same view. Mr. Dortch read the rules in question. The regular morning

took the same view.

last gentleman argued the meaning of the rule said College. ad never seen a great an instance of love at to be that the unfinished business shall have Favorably upon the bill to amend the 7 precedence of all new business; that the mor ning business, so-called, consists of petitions, memorials, &c., which are new business and so received by the House; that therefore the roads, plank roads and some other corporationunfinished business should have precedence to make reports to the General Assembly, wa over such.

Messrs. Dargan and Winston supported the other side. The decision of the chair was sustained

Affirmative, 60; negative 37. The question then was on Mr. Singeltary's amendment. Mr Gorrell moved to amend the amendment, by inserting the words, 'in the county of Ashe.' Mr. Leach opposed both amendments. Mr. Gurrell said, in reply, that he opposed the B !! but he wished if the county of Ashe were to be divided, it should be done with a due regard to ! on the table. the ratio of population.

Mr. Caldwell offered a few remarks. He wished this Bill stripped of all amendments. that it should stand or fall upon its own merits A Bill which required so much bolstering was not fit to pass. It was, moreover, uncons itu tional, and entertained with a view of increaing the political power of the East.

Mr. S-ttle replied. He said the thing was desired by the people of Ashe. They asked nothing but a division of the county, that they might attend the Court more conveniently, and their demand would not trouble or taxthe State. The gentleman from Guilford, (Mr. Caldwell) spoke of political power in the E1-1; he was suprised to hear such a remark from a signer of the celebrated Western address.

Mr. Caldwell said he did not suppose this measure demanded anything from the State; he did not and would not oppose it on those made by the State; Le opposed this measure on constitutional grounds. And with regard to the western address, he was proud to be a signer of that celebrated address. It was republican and the gentleman from Rockingham himself would find nothing in it to which he could ob iect to sub-cribe. Mr. Gorrell's amendment was then put and

rejected. An amendment was offered by Mr. Waugh and rejected.

Mr. Singeltary's amendment was then put. on which the ayes and noes were called by Mr. Steele. Ayes 34; noes 77. Amendment lost Mr. J. B. Bynum offered an amendment. Mr. Amis moved to recommit the whole matter to the Committee.

Mr. Martin moved to lay Mr. Amis' motioon the table. Division called. Affirmative 51 Negative 51. The chair deciding in the nega-Mr. Barringer opposed the amendment offed by the gentleman from Northampton, (Mr.

Bynum.) We ought not to erect a conditional or contingent county. He hoped the gentleman from Ashe (Mr. Waugh) would not accent the amendment. He would vote for the Bill; if i have any merits, let it stand on them; if not, le it fall. It is a question which chiefly concernthe people of that particular district, and he thought the difficulty some had in attending Court was a grievance which should be remedied, if possible. Mr. Smith replied. He said this matter was

pressed in order to remedy a grievance; therwere other Counties suffering the same. II asked how it would be if those other Counties were to get the same means of redress; it would be found that there would be Counties represented on this floor which would not be able to pay their representatives.

The question to recommit was put, and a di vision called ; Aves 46. Noes 65. Mr. Dargan moved to lay the motion on the able, on which motion the ayes and noes were called by Mr. S. A. Williams. Ayes 39, Noes

The question was then put on the passage he Bill. The ayes and noes were called by Mr. Steele. Ayes 46; nays 66. A message was received from the Senate innouncing a committee on that part of the

Governor's message relating to the University Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Shepherd, Barringer, J. G. Bynum, Lon and A bill to incorporate the Wilmington and harlotte Rail Read was taken up for a second

ending; and, on motion of Mr. Sceele, laid on he table for the present Mr. Stubbs presented a memorial relative courts of Appeal and Quarter sessions. Refer ed to committee on propositions and grievan-

ar. Stubbs presented another relative to the superior court, which was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Dortch, from the committee on the Ju-liciary, reported unfavorably on the following oills : A bill to increase the pay of Jurors, which on motion of Mr. Smith was laid on the table. A bill relating to county courts. A 5 ll giving courts of law jurisdiction over the proterty of wards, and a Bill concerning the competency of certain evidence.

Mr. Cansler, from committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably on a bill to amend the charter of the Charlotte and S. C. Mr. Amis offered a resolution, that the State Treasurer be authorised to pay William Gilliam

for injuries done him by the Raleigh and Gaston Kail Road, which was read first time and referred to the committee on propositions and grievances. Mr. Martin offered a resolution that the State Treasurer be authorised to pay Drs. Green and Jeffreys for medical attendance on Mr. Fuller,

injured on a rail-road. Read first time and re ferred to committe on claims. Mr. Stubbs introduced a Bill to tax non-resident traders. Passed first reading and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Selby introduced a Bill to alter the term for holding Courts in Hyde co. Read first time sional capacity. His trial came on recently, and referred to committee on the Judicary Mr. Williams, of N. II, introduced a Bill to Court to four years and siz months imprisonnourporate the Wilmington Steam Tug Co., Read first time and reterred to committee on

Mr. J G. Bynum introduced a Bill relating to the business of Banking. Read first time and referred to committee on Banking. tion of the town of Franklin in Randolph C ... an affecting appeal for the interposition of ex Read first time and referred to committee on

corporations. Mr. J. G. Bynum moved to make the Bill to make nine Judicial circuits the order of the last Saturday evening, to discuss the effects of day for Friday at 11 o'clock, A M. Carried. etner and enloroform on the human mind. said property at public sale, at the court house the first door, on the 15th day of January next, on a credit Mr. Horton introduced a Bill concerning living in a previous letter alluded to the dispublic roads in Watauga Co. Mr. J. G. Bynum introduced a Bill relative

and referred to committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Dortch, the House adjourned. SENATE.

THURSDAY, Dec. 14, 1854

Mr. Boyd, from the Committee on Pa posi business should come on first and then the tions and Grievances, reported the following unfinished business had precedence over all bills, which were placed on the file of bills upon declared, on their recovery, that they had been other. Mr. J. G. Bynum read the rules and their second reading: Unfavorably upon the bill to amend the char

section, chanter 17, of the Revised Code, ent tie l'eattie, horses and hogs. An engrossed resolution, requiring all rai

read and adapted

A message was received from the House ammons, proposing to go into the election of four Trustees of the University, at II o'clock to day, which was concurred in On motion of Mr. Thomas, of Jackson the bill to authorize the County Court of Macon County to levy a tax to pay for damages, if any are assessed for the construction of a railroad through the county, was taken up, read the

The Senate then proceeded to rote, by ballot, for four Trustees of the University.

Mr. Il aughton introduced a resolution in motion, was ini i on the table for the present. The engrossed bill to emincipite Jerry, a the Constitution of North Carolina, was then taken. taken up. The question being on the motion . of Mr. Graham, to strike out all after the words concerning a Convention to amend the Constitution of the State, when

Mr. Gibner advocated the amendment at con siderable length. Mr. Biggs made an explanation, when, On motion of Mr. Martin, the Senate adjour

HOUSE OF COMMONS. THURSDAY, Dec. 14.

The House came to order at 10 o'clock, and the burnal was read. Mr. McKesson presented a temperance memorial.

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or a new law for the protection of mechanics,

sterred to the Committee on the Jud.ciary. Mr. Dortell, from the Committee on the Judiciary ported invocably on the bull to prevent the sale of noxicating liquoist to free negroes; and a bill on saled and other confinets. Mr. Rolen offered a resolution, that the Literary und Land \$2,000 to establish an Academy in

M. Carmichael introduced a bill to amend the in the right, for Iron companies and manufachis ction of an act passed in 1852, relating to Ag. turing associations generally, at the North, in culture. Reserved to the Committee on Agricul-

urphy, Chaokee county, which, on motion of

et to increase the revenue of the State, by taxing Texas, will supersede Gov. Pease next fail. In Hard Tables \$500 instead of \$100. Mr. Baxter, a bill to erect a new county, by the ime of Ruthin, out of parts of Henderson, Hayood, and Jackson. Referred to Committee on ropositions and Grievances. Mr. Sh.pp, a b.ll to incorporate the Broad River

a froad Company. Read first time and referred to committee on Internal Improvements. Mr. Gorrell, a bill to incorporate the Guilford Gold and Copper Mining Company. Read first ed by a 3rd Avenue Railroad Car, while jumpme and referred to the Committee on Corpora-Mr. Stubbs moved that a Message be sent to the enate, proposing to elect four trustees to the Uni-

Mr. Houston moved to reconsider the vote on Alleghany county. Mr. J. M. Leach moved to lay that motion on the Mr. Amis proved to postpone the motion to re-

ersity to-day at 11 1-2 o'clock. Motion prevailed.

ous.der indefinitely. On Mr. Leach's inotion the ayes and noes were alled; Ayes 55, Noes 55. Motion prevailed. Mr. McAesson called the attention of the House to the fact, that two weeks had elapsed since a report was presented by Col. Gwynn; it had not yet osen printed, and there was business of considera- good deal of valuable vacant property in the

ble importance delayed in consequence of this neg-A message was received from the Senate, conurring in the proposition of the House to go into he election of jour trustees for the University.

Several nominations were made and the House proce_d_d to vote. Mr. Craven introduced a Bill relative to killing inber on B.g Bush Creek in Randolph county .-Read first time and referred to Committee on Pro-

positions and Grievances. Board lend ten thousand dollars to establish the Holston Conference Femals Academy. Referred to Committee on Education. The following blils were put on a second resding :

ionable house. The receipts must have been A bill to smend an act to prevent obstruction of the pas-sale of fish in blunt's Creek. Laid on the table for the preabout \$7,000 for that evening alone, and yet the cry is kept up that the Opera is not supported. and that the offended artistes are about to di-A Bill saking five hundred dollars to improve the road across the Brue hidge at Fisher's Gap. Considerable detailing occurred on the merits of this bill.— The syes and noes were called, and the bill was rejected, by 15 negative to 33 affirmative votes. A Bill relative to Courts of law baving juri-diction over the

lisposition of the property of joint tenants and tenants in common in Meckienbur, County. Mr. Amis moved to ro-co unit; and the Bill was recommit ted to the Committee on the kevisal of the Statutes.
Un motion of sir. Dorich, the House then adjourned.

OUR NEW Y RK CORRESPONDENCE. The administration of Ether and Chloroform-Singular developments - The Texas and Pacific Rail Road - A Millionaire buried as a proper

- The Opera and Ila Favorita- A triangular

New YORK, Dec. 12th, 1854.

It will be borne in mind by the readers of the Register, that Dr. Brale, of Philadelphia, Dentist by profession, and a gentleman of high moral repute, was not long since arraigned up on the charge of having committed a gross out rage upon the person of Miss Mudge, to whom he had administered obloroform in his profe aid a few days ago he was sentenced by the ment in the viryamensing prison. He uniformly protested his innocence, and the case was not | for and must continue to fight ! made out clearly on the trial. He has long been a consistent member of the church, and has a family of eight children. His wife, with an earnestness of affection and constancy highly Mr. Thornburg: A Bill for the better regula- creditable to her, has come before the public in ecutive elemency. In consequence of these events, the Dentists of New York and the neighboring towns convened together in this city coverers of these agents, I may now, with more propriety, speak of the agents themselves. The proved security. proceedings of the meeting of the Dentists have to be the best stand in town, and has recently unbeen published, and it appears therefrom, that dergone considerable repairs. Smithfield is one culoroform and ether not only produce insensi pility to pain, but alienation and ballucination of mind; particularly the latter. The prevalent River, near the head of Steamboat Navigation, train of thoughts is developed, or some strong | within three miles of the N. C. C. Railroad, having -motional feeling is engendered by the agent itself. Strange sensations are produced in both exes. and strikingly characteristic of them .- There is but one other house of public entertain-I'me Dentists gave an account of three ladies, wh , after the other was adm nistered to them, simesses present to prove the contrary. One The decision of the chair was supported by ter of Davidson College, so as to prohibit the lady thought that the Dentist had eloped with

her, and did not treat her very tenderly. Anther lady was touched, not in the heart but in ne bead, and imagined that the walls of the oom had closed upon her so as to compress er head as if it were in a tight box. Another sir conceived that she had been abused pretty nuch as Miss Mudge had been. The minds of ne ladies, generally, ren upon the subjects of issing and matrimony, and those of the gentlenen upon their gallantry and prowess. One gentleman thought that he was turned into a norse; fancied that he was prancing around the ring to show his paces, and cried out, " see en years old and fine." Pleasurable sensations were sometimes produced One old lady declared that it was so delightful, that every poor person should be provided with a bottle of it

for their comfort and consolation. third time, and, on motion of Mr. Graham, laid Dr. Beale's professional brethren here concurred in the opinion of his innocence, and his liberation may soon be announced, as petitions to that effect have been freely signed, both here and in Pula lelphia. This is diving down to lation to the G ological Survey, which, on his the bottom of the well to get at the truth. Hidincinations have all the force of reality. Our of the ladies, who thought she was kissed, still slave, was road the first time, and referred to insists upon it, after the lapse of several years, the Committee on Propositions and Gri-vances. notwithstanding, also, that her mother was pre-The special order, being the bill to amend sent at the time, and assured her she was mis-

We have yet to learn a good deal, as to the eff ote of ma outies and anse thetics upon the a bill,' and in-ert the bill presented by bim | numan system. It would seem that death from culoroform is more apparent than real, and is rather a suspension than an annihilation of the faculties Dr. Robert de Lunbelle, a distinguished physician of Paris, announces that a snock of electricity given to a patient dying from the effects of chloroform imm distrily counter icts its influence and returns the sufferer to life. So, also, in regard to the powerful narcotics-one will sometimes coun eract another. A man who had been poisoned by strychnine, which he had taken to relieve an attack of rheumatism, was cured of it by the administration of camphor. Dr. Suddock, of Landon; caims to be the discoverer of this. Lawred to committee on Propositions and Grie-

But revenous aux nous mottons: The Texas and Pacific Rail Road being now under way, the southern States have an int-rest in keeping up with the undertaking. The starting point is at Lake Caddo, in Harrison county, thirteen and a half miles from Marshall. Two hundred men are now at work upon it there, and they will soon be sugmented to 1500. The act of the legislature required that \$300,000 should be deposited in the Treasury before assignment of the contract. This was complied with by depositing \$300,000 of the bonds of the E-sex Iron Co., N. Y., which Raymond, the Treasus Ir. T. H. Williams, was referred to the Committee | rer, accepted, but Pease, the Governor, repudthese times, are rather straightened. But the company have carried the point, and it is thought Mr. J. H. II ad n introduced a bill to amend an I that Col Johnson, their President, pro tem., in the meantime, a meeting of the Directors took place a few days since at Montgomery, Ala., and Mr. Walker was, no doubt, chosen President, and the New York and Texas charters will be merged into one.

A singular event transpired here last week. but such a one as may readily occur in a large city. An old gentleman of nearly 80 was killing out at the corner of 42nd street. In an insensible state, he was conveyed to the Bellevue Hospital, at the foot of 27th street, East River. Although worth nearly a million, he died and was buried as a pauper, as no identification of his person could be made. He was buried in Potter's Field, but afterwards in G eenwood,-

"How small, of all that human hearts endure, Is that which wealth or power can cause or cure!" This old Cros-us had been in the daily habit of taking a five mile ride on the 3rd Avenue, for five cents, for the sake of exercise, and to look after his eff-ots. The fact is, there is a number of rich old covies in this city, who own a

upper wards, which cost them nothing, but now makes them millionaires, and, as Mr. Jones said, he must sing the Roaring River or die, so these old fellows must see their lots every day or die too. They have lost faith in every thing except land and money. They don't believe in the rising of the sun or the rotation of the earth, and it would be a hard matter to convince them that a hold thief might not run off with a vacant lot or two. Whatever is loved constitutes W. Vance offered a resolution that the Literary | the character; and Solomon said, wisely, " What a man thinketh in his heart, THAT he is." Donnizetti's exquisite Opera, La Favorita,

was given last Monday to a crowded and ta-h-

camp. The plot of this Opera is conveyed in a single line of Dr. Johnson's "VANITY OF HUMAN WI-HES"-" And Sedley cursed the form that pleased a King." The seductions of royalty prove too st.ong f r Leonors, and when she appears on the stage, n company with Ferdinando Mario, to whom ier allegiance is due, there is exhibited all that tender and powerful dramatic acting, for which Griei is celebrated in this character, and likevise as in Adelgiths in Norms. Let your ! -

islature adjourn and come on to see it, togeth-

r with Mr. Warren Winslow, the Governor ex. ff., for one mouth. Storms follow a rotary movement, but, neverbeless, we had a triangular one here last Sunlay. "It blew, it thew, and it snew," and harled too all in one day, and in conflictive succession. Meteorologists assert that the weather is equilibrated at one time or place, only because it is disturbed at another, a. d that every storm is the price of a calm. The warring and ancertain elements illustrate the course of buman life, its conditions and its contests, for now many are they who enjoy no benefits except what they have purcuased by their toil, and no peace of mind but that they have fought

A valuable Hotel for Sale.

T Nevember Term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the county of Johnston, . D. 1854, the undersigned having been appointed commissioners to sell the real estate of henry J. Beil and William J. M. House, de'd., in the town of Smithfield, Johnston county, known as the Johnston Hotel, we will proceed to sell the aforeof six months—the purchaser giving bond with ap-

This property is well located, generally thought of the most healthy and pleasant villages in the eastern part of the State, s.tuated on the Neuse two good schools in it well patronised and support ed, and new growing into considerable importance. ment in the place; it will theretore readily be seen that such an opportunity for engaging in the business is but very saldom offered. Those wishing to engage in Hotel keeping w.ll do well to call and examine the premises on or before the day or sale.

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