STATE LEGISLATURE.

[We could not get these proceedings in Wednesday's issue, because the reading continued so late at night.]

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

TUESDAY, Jan. 20.

EVENING SESSION.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Henderson passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to amend the charter of Salisbury passed its 2d reading.

A bill in relation to the town of Townsville, in Granville county, passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to incorporate Uwharrie Lodge of Odd Fellows in Randolph county passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A resolution in favor of Sarah Carter of Chowan county passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill in relation to the construction of a dam over Mainbroad river passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A resolution in favor of B. H. Dozier of Currituck county passed its 2d and 3d reading.

A resolution in favor of J. M. Lovejoy passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to incorporate the Rockbridge and Toxaway Turnpike company passed its 1st reading.

A motion to re-consider the vote on the unfinished business of the morning, and to postpone it until to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock—ayes 27, noes 54.

The motion to re-consider was then lost.

A bill concerning the Common School fund in Alexander county passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to amend sec 2, ch 34 Revised Code so as to include steamboats and sail-vessels, passed its 2d and 3d readings.

Mr. Baxter moved to re-consider the vote by which the Rockbridge and Toxaway Turnpike company was passed so as to strike out the 16th section, which compels all roads lying within two miles to work on it at least six days in the year. The vote was re-considered, and the 16th section was not stricken out. The bill then passed its last reading.

A bill to abolish jury-trials in Polk county passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to re-construct the Charlotte and Taylorsville Turnpike Company was tabled.

A resolution in relation to the naval depot and navy yard at Beaufort Harbor passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A resolution in favor of W. W. Ward, the sheriff of Martin county, was lost on its 2d reading.

A resolution in favor of a citizen of Chowan county passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill recommending the election of Justices of the Peace was lost.

A bill to repeal an act paying Judge $90 in case of special courts passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A bill to increase the pay of witnesses passed its 2d and 3d reading.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Wilson passed its 2d reading and was then indefinitely postponed.

A bill to reduce the penalty on School Committees was lost.

A bill for the protection of unsuspecting females was lost.

A bill to amend an act concerning the Lunatic Asylum, and to repeal certain sections to give place to substitutes, passed its 1st reading, but was lost on the last—ayes 51, noes 57.

A resolution authorising the Governor to purchase 25 copies of Hawks' History of North Carolina passed its second reading.—Mr. Hill, of Halifax, moved to amend by adding 50 copies of the "Life of Judge Iredell." The resolution, as amended, then passed its third reading.

A bill concerning the county Courts of Greenville passed its second and third readings.

A bill to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace was lost.

A bill to incorporate the Davenport Female College passed its second and third readings.

A bill to amend the charter of Carolina Female College passed its second and third readings.

A bill concerning the town of Clinton passed its second and third readings.

A bill to incorporate the Yadkin Mining company passed its second and third readings.

A bill to amend the law in relation to the public roads was laid on the table.

A bill providing for the improvement of Pasquotank river was tabled.

A motion to adjourn was lost—ayes 36, noes 49.

A bill to allow the County Court Clerk of Craven longer time to make out his tax lists passed its second and third readings.

A bill to extend the term of the County Court of Duplin was tabled.

A bill to punish the felling of trees without permission was tabled.

A bill relating to the Comptroller of the State passed second and third readings.

A resolution in favor of Joseph Bryant, of Johnston county, was lost.

A bill to incorporate the Guilford Agricultural Society was tabled.

A resolution in favor of the York Collegiate Institute, asking a loan of the Literary Board, and before the vote was decided, the House adjourned.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Revenue bill was the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

The bill to amend the charter of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company was made the special order for 4 o'clock to-day.

Mr. Boyd reported the petition of John Gibbs of Jackson county.

Mr. White introduced a resolution in favor of John Cline.

Mr. A. J. Jones introduced a bill to amend an act concerning the place of trial of civil process returnable before Justices of the Peace. The Rules were suspended and this bill passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A message was received from the House of Commons, transmitting the following engrossed bills, which passed their first reading and were appropriately referred:

A bill to incorporate the Salisbury and Eagle-city Railroad Company.

A bill to incorporate the Goldsboro and Wilmington Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Holt the bill to incorporate the Mt. Olivet Academy in Randolph county was taken up and passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A message was received from the House of Commons announcing the disagreement of the committee on the Cape Fear and Deep River Improvement, together with the resignation of the President and Directors of the same, with the position to print. Concurred in.

Mr Cherry moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to charter the Salisbury Bank was rejected on yesterday.

Mr. Cherry moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to charter the Bank of Lincolnton was passed.

Mr. Cunningham moved to lay that motion on the table. Lost, by Yeas 12, Nays 18.

A message was received from the House of Commons, transmitting the following engrossed Bills:

A bill to amend the charter of the N. C. and Atlantic Railroad Company.

A bill to incorporate the Rockingham Coal Fields Railroad Company.

The reconsidered bill to charter the Cherawan Coal Fields Railroad was taken up and passed its 2d reading by Yeas 19, Nays 10.

Mr. Clemmon moved to reconsider this vote, and then moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table. Carried.

Mr. Waller reported in favor of a bill concerning the Bank of Cape Fear.

Mr. Edom reported in favor of a bill to charter the Cape Fear Coal and Iron Company. Also, in favor of a bill to charter the American Exchange and Mining Company. Also, in favor of the bill to amend the charter of the Neuse River Manufacturing Company, provided notice has been given.

On motion of Mr. Holt, the bill to incorporate the American Exchange and mining company passed its 2d reading with certain amendments. Rules were suspended and it passed its 3d reading.

The consideration of the bill concerning the Common Schools, which was the unfinished business, was taken up and discussed, the question being on Mr Thomas's amendment.

Mr Dockery said he was indisposed to-day and regretted that this question had come up, as such, he wished to make a speech on it. He had always regarded the public land fund as given to the State, and had no idea that the General Government would ever call on the States to refund. He regarded it as a fund to which all the states had an equal right. He did not think the mode of distribution proposed by the bill would do. If it was distributed upon the principle of the [illegible] tax, you will not accomplish what Mr Senator from Jackson desired, and with [illegible] agreed with him in his views. As has been by experience that this system would not do. In his county, the River counties were thickly settled and it was easy to get a large school and consequently a plenty of funds. But on the piney ridges, the people were more sparsely settled, and consequently it was difficult for them to get a school. He was therefore in favor of paying all the teachers alike, and then the children in the thinly settled districts would be as well attended as those in the well settled country.

The time for the special order having arrived, the unfinished business was postponed. Mr Dockery remarking that he would finish his remarks hereafter.

The bill to amend the charter of the Chesapeake and Albermarle Canal Company was then put on the 2d reading.

Mr Ward moved to amend by adding a section giving an incorporation to the Trent River and Tuckahoe Navigation Company.

Messrs Wiggins, Cherry and others opposed the amendment. It was lost by Yeas 9, Nays 18.

The question then recurring upon the passage of the bill, the Senate was addressed by Messrs Wiggins, Pool and Cherry in favor of the bill.

Mr Wiggins said he did not rise for the purpose of discussing the details of the bill, as no doubt the Senator from Beaufort, was prepared to do that, but simply to say a few words on the subject of this great and important work—a work the importance of which, not only has commanded, but the people in nearly the whole western portion of the State were deeply interested. When the ship canal shall be completed, the corn, cotton, wheat, and products of the rich valleys of the Roanoke and Albemarle, and its tributaries will pass through it to Norfolk, Baltimore, New York, and even to Europe. It will open a line of cheap inland navigation, and there will be water sufficient for vessels and steamers of large size, and the dangers of Ocracoke, and the United shoals of Cape Hatteras, will be avoided. No, could we hear at this time from [illegible] as we shall have, and fair would be told—the destruction of life and property, caused by the late severe storm which has been raging for several days, must be immense—vessels, no doubt, have been stranded and wrecked, and many brave and noble fellows sleep the sleep of death in the briny Atlantic. Pass this bill, Mr. Speaker, and we shall have a great thoroughfare, safe at all seasons, and free from the many dreadful calamities which so often take place on the coast of North Carolina.

Messrs. Cherry and Pool spoke at length and with much ability. The former went largely into statistics concerning the productions of the country which the canal was intended to benefit and of the increased safety which would be secured to shipping.

Mr Cherry sent before entering fully into the subject before the Senate, he wished to call their attention to the fact, that this great enterprise of connecting the waters of the large sounds on our coast with the Atlantic ocean, was one of those great internal works, for the execution of which the honor and credit of the State stood pledged. Two years ago, said Mr. C., when the State was just beginning to embark in schemes of internal communication for beyond any she had before projected, seeing that all could not be executed at once, he resolved, so far as he could, to call the attention of the State with whatever of weight he might betide her. Hence he stood pr minent amongst his friends in the east to urge on to action the great measure of the [illegible] portion of the State from which he came, and whose interests it was his duty as well as his pride to defend.

Mr. C. then went into an analysis of the bill, showing the operations in detail. He stated, that there might be no misunderstanding, he asked, but, he demanded it as the right of his constituents, and of his section to their full share of the patronage of the Treasury. He said, they were called upon to aid in supplying it by grinding exactions upon their labor and their property, and he demanded it as their right, to feel something of the benefits of its distribution.

He said this bill proposed a subscription on the part of the State of $350 000, to expedite this long desired work of a free, easy, and safe communication between the waters of the Albemarle and with the Atlantic. He showed that the State could run no risk in the enterprise, and even if she did, and sunk every dollar of the money, his section was entitled to it, by every consideration of justice and equity. Mr. C then went into a graphic history of that portion of the State from which he came.

He showed the immense resources of his section, the shipping and tonnage, the agricultural resources, taxation, population and wealth; all of which he contrasted with other portions. He said he made these comparisons with no invidious spirit towards any section, for he had always stood up as the unflinching friend of North Carolina, and all her noble enterprises. Mr. C. then spoke of his advocacy of the internal communication policy of the State. He spoke of the intelligence, the wealth, magnanimity of his immediate constituents. Sir, said Mr. C., with much warmth and feeling, I know them to be magnanimous, even to the errors of their honest public servants. He said he should act on this occasion, as he had on all others in his public life, and trust the consequences to those who knew him best.

He then went on to speak in very decided terms of the practicability of the proposed canal. It was no longer a problem to be solved, but a "fixed fact," that a communication between the large Sounds on our eastern coast could be made by the means proposed in the bill. He spoke of the dangers and expenses incident to our present outlets to the ocean, all of which he proceeded to show would, in a great degree, be avoided by the successful completion of the proposed canal. Mr. C. then read a great many statistics and facts in connection with shipping, commerce, productions &c., of the eastern part of the State, to which the Senate seemed to be interested during the delivery of his speech. Mr. C. was listened to very patiently by the Senate and by the spectators in the lobby.

Mr. Pool proceeded by showing how the legislation of the last Session had [illegible] outlet to the sea, and how the [illegible] substitute urged before the [illegible] and which they had rejected, [illegible] original bill introduced by the [illegible] ie, would secure an outlet by [illegible] crease of depth to 7½ feet. [illegible] considerable length. (We shall [illegible] Mr. Pool's remarks in full.)

The Senate then took a recess [illegible]

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The discussion of the bill to amend [illegible] ter of the Chesapeake and Albemarle [illegible] pany was continued.

Mr. Hill spoke against it. He thought the company ought to be content with the [illegible] they got two years ago. He was opposed to voting money to new works. He intended to vote appropriations only for those works in which the State was already involved, and which it was necessary to finish. He would vote for an appropriation to Deep River sufficiently large to fix that work permanently—$1,200,000 if it was needed.

Some sparring occurred between Messrs J. B. Jones, Dockery and Hill.

On motion of A. J. Jones the Metropolitan Bank was made the special order for to-morrow at half past 11 o'clock.

The time for the special order—the bill to amend the charter of the W. N. C. Railroad—having arrived, a motion was made to postpone it and go on with the canal bill. Some discussion sprang up. Mr. W. H. Thomas made some remarks about delay. To which Mr. Hill replied that if the Senate had been delayed it was certainly pleasantly delayed, for they were daily entertained by the beautifully written bills and reports from the gentleman's pen, whose facility at producing the latter species of document was so proverbial that some suggested that he carried blank reports about in his pocket.

The motion to postpone the special order to to-morrow at 2 o'clock prevailed.

The vote was then taken on the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal bill and resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs Burgess, Cherry, Christian, Cleaveland, Dillard, Dockery, Gibson, J. B. Jones, Miller, A. Myers, Parks, Pool, Ramsay, Rives, Speight, W. H. Thomas, Wiggins, White and Wilder—19.

NAYS—Messrs Battle, Carr, Cunningham, Easton, Hawkins, Hill, Holmes, Holt, A. J. Jones, McDiarmid, Martin, and Ward—12.

Mr. Speight moved that the engrossed bill from the House of Commons to amend the charter of the N. C. and Atlantic Railroad be taken up and put on its 2d reading. It passed its 2d reading. A motion to suspend the rules was agreed to by yeas 29 nays 10. the bill was then put on its 3d reading.

Mr. Cunningham moved to lay on the table. Lost by yeas 12, nays 19. A motion to postpone indefinitely was made and withdrawn. Some confusion ensued, during which the Speaker declared the Senate adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21.

The journals were read.

Mr. Baxter, from the select committee, reported concerning the Cape Fear river.

Mr. Ferebee, by request of the Directors, presented a written statement of the affairs of the company, and, in presenting it, remarked that he asked leave to offer a communication drawn up and signed by the board of directors of the Cape Fear and Deep river navigation company. This paper was placed in his hands by the Directors of that company, with the request that he would bring it before the House. He had not had time to examine it, and therefore, could not express any opinion in regard to the statements it contains. The communication, as the directors inform him, is not intended by them to controvert, but to explain the facts as stated, and set forth in the report just read, of the select committee. As one of that committee, he was authorized to say, and he took that occasion to state, that in offering that communication, of the board of Directors, he did so with the concurrence and approbation of the committee.

A resolution originated with a committee to appropriate one room of the Capitol to the mineral cabinet of Prof. Emmons, and that he be allowed $50 00. The rules were suspended and the resolution passed its second and third reading.

Mr. Baxter offered a resolution in favor of Frank N. Roberts, and another, which passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Lewis, of Wake, a resolution in favor of W. Watson, passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Jones a resolution that C. R. Thomas, and others, be appointed a committee to inquire into the affairs of the W. N. C. Railroad company.

Mr Reeves a resolution to dispense with night sessions. Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Baxter.

Mr Stubbs moved to take from the table the bill to alter the Constitution, so as to provide for the election of judges, justices of the peace, attorney general and solicitors, by the people. Agreed to.

Mr Badham moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill till the 4th of March next.

Mr Stubbs proceeded to address the House, when the Speaker stated that the motion was not debatable. Mr Stubbs appealed from the decision of the chair, and proceeded to say, that the motion of the gentleman from Chowan, was equivalent to postpone indefinitely, as both houses of the General Assembly have agreed to adjourn, *sine die*, on the 26th inst., and to postpone beyond that time, was in substance, to postpone indefinitely, which motion, is debatable. He further said, that he had been incorrectly reported (unintentionally no doubt,) in the Standard of to-day. He did not say (as reported) that it was too late in the session to pass this bill to amend the Constitution. What he did say, was "that he would decline making any remarks at this late day of the session, unless the bill met with opposition; in that case he sh uld desire to be heard." He said he was not now disposed to detain the House by any extended remarks, unless the principles contained in the bill were attacked. He said he did not think it too late to pass the bill. It had been introduced at an early day of the session, and every gentleman had had time to make up his mind. He said if gentlemen were favorable to this bill, they yet had time to pass it, and send it to the senate in time for it to pass that body. After some further remarks he withdrew the appeal from the decision of the chair, which was removed by Mr. Baxter, and sustained.

Mr Badham moved to postpone the subject until the 4th of March; ayes 55, noes 42.

Mr Patterson introduced a bill concerning Haw River.

Mr Richardson, a bill to incorporate the —— Creek Navigation Company.

Mr J nes, a bill to prevent the obstruction of fish up Broad Creek.

A joint resolution in favor of York Collegiate Institute, coming under the head of unfinished business, passed its 2d and 3rd reading.

The special order of this hour was a bill to re-charter the Bank of the State of N. C.

Mr. Baxter moved to postpone it indefinitely; ayes 54; noes 53.

The hour of recess arrived.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The State bank was under discussion, and advocated by Mr. Outlaw, and opposed by Messrs. Baxter and Caldwell.

Mr. Stubbs moved that the bill be laid on the table and that it be printed; ayes 46, noes 56.

Mr. Reeves offered an amendment to sit at a branch be established in Surry within a specified time. Adopted.

Mr. Scott offered an amendment that the bank pay a bonus of $100 000 to the State within six months after the acceptance of the charter. The vote stood, ayes 25, noes 63.

Several amendments to the same purport, but of less sums, were lost.

The hour of recess arrived.

EVENING SESSION.

The following bills passed their 2d and 3d reading, viz:

We the undersigned, citizens of Iredell County, would respectfully represent to your honorable body, that whereas we labor under great inconvenience for want of hauling facilities in Western North Carolina, and we have reason to believe that the citizens of the State in general are in a similar condition, and whereas if such an alarming evil be not speedily remedied it must inevitably cause a stagnation of business, the very defeating or preventing the great results for which the friends of Internal Improvements have been laboring throughout the State, (the banks now existing refusing to discount or afford any relief to the people) And whereas we have seen that a bill has been introduced into the Legislature by D. F. Caldwell, Esq., of Guilford County, proposing to establish the "People's Bank," the provisions of which we highly approve, and which will in our opinion meet the pressing demands of the country;

We therefore *earnestly* request your honorable body to pass said bill or some other similar act embracing its wise and judicious provisions, and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Signed by the following persons:

J. F. Alexander,	A. M. Walker
N. R. Bell,	J. S. Barkley,
P. A. Claywell,	J. Gains,
C. A. Carlton,	V. Sherwart,
John Murdock,	J. M. Brawley,
W. P. Watts,	J. W. Stockton,
O. Gillispie,	L. Gibson,
R. M. Allison,	Thos. Mulligan,
J. Allison,	J. F. Bell, Jr.,
Y. S. Dean,	J. B. Thomas,
J. W. Woodward,	H. Truesdale,
C. L. Sommer,	R. R. White,
R. L. Wilson,	T. C. Hollyburton,
H. Reynolds,	J. A. Reeves,
E. B. Stinson,	G. M. White,
A. A. Lawrence,	W. P. Caldwell.
H. Morrison,	R. M. Alexander,
W. H. Sanford,	M. F. Freeland,
J. S. Miller,	J. F. Bell, Sr.
W. H. Morrison.	J. Q. Sloats,

Mr. Clark offered a resolution authorising the late Sheriff of Caldwell County to collect tax in arrears.

Mr. Caldwell,—a resolution concerning certain Machine Shops in Alamance county.

Mr. Rushing,—a resolution concerning the time of adjournment. Not adopted.

Mr. Jarvis,—a resolution concerning Cherokee bonds.

Mr. Hill of Halifax,—a resolution in relation to the warming of the Capitol.

Mr. Martin,—a resolution relating to the Agent of Cherokee lands.

Mr. Love introduced a bill to incorporate the Linewood Female Academy.

Mr. Holmes, a bill to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company. Also, a bill to increase the revenue of Wilmington.

A message from the Senate was received announcing certain engrossed bills, which passed their first reading.

The Cherawan and Coal Fields Railroad was made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Lost.

The special order of the hour was then taken up, to amend the charter of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad Company.

Mr. Waddell said he desired to make some explanatory remark before voting on this bill. It had always been an Internal Improvement, and voted upon all policies connected with it. Since the State had [illegible] upon the second reading of this bill, [illegible] had been cut off from all its [illegible] and should be compelled to vote, No.

Mr. Tomlinson read an amendment striking out the words "Cleaveland and Rutherford" and inserting "as near as road Rutherford cut is practicable," also, striking out "Bull Mountain Gap." Adopted.

Mr. Tomlinson said if this road should ever be built as he hoped it would, he thought it ought not to be restricted to any Gap, but an axe should be left open, and let the engineer tell where the Road ought to pass the mountains.

The bill was lost: ayes 37, noes 69.

The bill to charter the North Carolina Bank passed its second reading: ayes 64, noes 41.

A bill in relation to the purchase of Swamp lands, in New Hanover county, was read and on a memorial on the same subject. The whole of the bill was stricken out, and a substitute offered by Mr Holmes.

A bill providing that in case where the county line divides the lands of a person he may list his lands in the county in which he resides, passed its second and third readings.

A resolution in favor of B. H. Stanmire. The 60 acres of land was stricken out, then the House took a recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A bill to amend the charter of Smithlands passed its 2d and 3d readings.

A resolution in favor of the late Sheriff of Caldwell County passed its 2nd reading and was then laid on the table.

The unfinished business of the morning was resumed. Mr Forester wished to amend by striking out the amount mentioned, and inserting $1967 64—lost. Mr. Pitchford moved to insert $2334.—Carried.

The resolution then passed its last reading—ayes 68, noes 40.

Mr. Gilham introduced a resolution to inquire into the St to of the banks. Also, a bill requiring returns to be made to the Governor every three months. The rules were suspended and the bill passed its 2nd and 3 d readings.

A bill to exempt freehold homesteads from execution came up, but was postponed for recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The following bills passed their last reading, viz:

A bill for the better government of Gatesville.

A bill to incorporate the Albemarle Bell man[illegible] (Mr. Badham moved to lay the House bill on the table: ayes 30, noes 47. Mr. [illegible] of Orange, offered an amendment to strike out the words "50 acres," and insert "any piece of land not worth more than $1000." Accepted. Mr Little moved to strike out $1000 and insert $500. Lost. The bill was advocated by Messrs Ogburn, Bynum, Wilson and Jones, and opposed by Mr Bullock. Mr. Jarvis moved that the consideration of the bill to be postponed until the 4 h of March. Ayes 50 noes 44.)

A bill to amend and correct a law concerning seamen, in the port of Wilmington, was moved by Mr Holmes to the effect that the power of issuing warrants be taken from the harbor master, which amendment was opposed by Mr. Meares. The bill then passed.

A resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Stanly county was lost.

A bill to prevent the destroying of fish was postponed indefinitely.

A resolution in favor of some one in Yancey.

A bill in favor of Henry Carter.

A bill to change the time of holding the Supreme Court.

A bill concerning Bork Square, in Raleigh.

A bill to amend the Revised Code on the subject of Wills and Testaments.

A bill to establish a Medical Board of examiners was laid on the table.

A bill in relation to Craven county.

A bill to incorporate the town of Burnsville.

A bill concerning militia.

A resolution in favor of W. Peace was tabled.

A bill in relation to stock killed on railroad.

A bill to incorporate the Green Swamp Land Company.

The House adjourned.

SENATE.

FRIDAY, Jan. 23.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hill, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a large number of bills.

Mr. Pool from the same committee also reported several bills.

Mr. Boyd, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, made a number of reports.

A message was received from the House of Commons, transmitting a number of engrossed bills which were appropriately referred.

Mr. W. B. Myers said he wished the vote on the Revenue Bill to be re-considered as he wished to offer an amendment taxing brokers. He said it was because he was absent when the bill was put to its last passage on the question, having been detained by the late snow storm, and was not present at the time the bill. Objection was made and the Senate refused to re-consider the motion.

A message was received from the House proposing a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill to amend the charter of the Western North Carolina Railroad, and to adjourn from day to day.

Mr. W. H. Thomas asked leave to record his name in favor of the Revenue bill—he having been necessarily absent at the time of voting—Leave was given.

Mr. N. B. Myers asked the same privilege, he having been absent as above stated. Agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order was then taken up it being a bill for the benefit and relief of the Cape Fear and Deep River Navigation Company.

The committee's amendment proposing to reduce the appropriation from $200,000 to $200,000 was read.

Mr Reeves moved to amend their amendment by inserting $450,000 in place of $200 000. He said that this was the sum recommended by Col. G. Yours as necessary to put the work in good order, and he had much confidence in Col. Gwynn's judgment. This was his reason for desiring the passage of the amendment.

Remarks upon the amendment were made by Messrs Mills and W. H. Thomas.

Mr. Reeves then made a speech of considerable length. It was a powerful and forcible argument. He entered into a detail of the situation and affairs of the company, and showed that it was necessary not just that the river improvement should be completed. We have not time to give the extended notice of his remarks.

Mr Meares rose to place himself right upon the record. He had voted against the Revenue bill upon its passage, and had intended to vote against the appropriation, because he thought it was the cost of its project to all any interest. Mr. Meares was in favor of giving him a chance for his money in the Road but as the proposition to appropriate was rescinded and his interest lost he was now inclined to withdraw his vote and let it go as it was.

Remarks for the same for the same reasons were made by Messrs. A. Myers and Cherry.

Mr. Dockery moved all the pendents come up [illegible] (Laughter.)

Mr. W. H. Thomas wished to have the committee report rejected, and leave, as in original [illegible] (Laughter.)

Mr. Cherry spoke in defence of [illegible] appropriation of $200 000 [illegible] $450 000 amendment. [illegible] amendment was then rejected, [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] offered a substitute, and made [illegible] to support. Lost by yeas 6, [illegible]

[illegible] passed by:

YEAS—Messrs. Boyd, Bryan, Burgess, Cameron, Carr, Cherry, Christian, Cleaveland, Dockery, Eaton, Fonville, Graham, Hawkins, Hill, Mills, Pool, Reeves, Rives, Speight, W. H. Thomas, Wiggins, White and Wilder—22.

NAYS—Messrs. Battle, Carr, Chesson, Cunningham, Dillard, Fonville, Holmes, Holt, A. J. Jones, J. B. Jones, McDiarmid, Martin, Miller, W. R. Myers, Ramsay, Ward and Woodfin—16.

So the bill was passed.

Mr. Dockery offered an additional section to allow connections with certain [illegible] and allowing them to build warehouses &c.

Mr. Ramsay was opposed to these amendments. He thought that it would be destructive to the interests of the road to tap it at any point East of the Blue Ridge. The great object of the Western Extension was to benefit the N. C. Road, but if it was tapped as proposed it would not accomplish that object.

Mr. Dockery replied advocating the amendment. He thought the connection would not injure the N. C. Road.

The amendment was adopted by Yeas 27, Nays 11.

Mr. Wiggins introduced an amendment to make the tax on passengers and freight perpetual, provided the State shall be called on for no further aid, which was adopted.

Mr. Ward offered an amendment to carry the Road within a mile of Newton.

The bill was then passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Bryan, Cherry, Christian, Cleaveland, Dockery, Fennell, Fonville, Gibson, Hawkins, McDiarmid, Mills, Miller, Parks, Rives, Speight, W. H. Thomas, Ward, Wiggins, White and Wilder—20.

NAY—Messrs. Battle, Cameron, Carr, Chesson, Cunningham, Dillard, Eaton, Hill, Holmes, Holt, J. B. Jones, A. J. Jones, Lane, Martin, W. R. Myers, Pool, Ramsay and Taylor—18.

Mr. Dillard moved to take up the engrossed bill to charter the Albemarle and Suffolk Railroad Company—suspend the rules, and put it on its second and third readings. Agreed to.

Mr. A. H. Thomas wished to amend by inserting a freight tax of 20 cents per ton on [illegible] and 20 cents per passenger.

Mr. Bynum opposed the tax. Messrs. Pool and Dillard spoke in favor of the bill and against the tax. Mr Speight, W. H. Thomas, Wiggins and Woodfin made remarks. The bill passed and was put on its third reading.

A motion was made to lay on the table. Lost: ayes 3, nays 29.

Various motions and motions to adjourn rejected, withdrawn, and lost. Mr. Dockery wished to have the bonus taken off.

Mr. Dillard spoke in favor of his bill.

Mr. Holt opposed it.

The bill then passed.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

FRIDAY, Jan. 16.

The House was called to order, and the minutes read.

Mr. Holmes introduced a memorial in relation to the improvement of the Cape Fear River; also a resolution to the same effect. Adopted.

A bill concerning Wills and Testaments was read. Mr. Gilham gave notice that he would introduce a minority report on this subject.

Mr. Badham offered a resolution proposing to rescind the resolution to adjourn on next Monday. Mr. Gilham stated that it was perfectly evident that when the resolution was adopted that the Legislature did not intend to adjourn on that day, and demanded the ayes and noes, which resulted in ayes 73, noes 33.

Mr. Cox, of Pernquimans, introduced a bill to provide for the removal of the bar in Yadkin River.

The unfinished business of the last session was to make the bill concerning the Eastern Extension the special order for Saturday at 11 o'clock; ayes 67, noes 46.

The People's Bank came up on its 3rd reading, but was postponed until Monday at 11 o'clock.

A message was read from the Senate agreeing to the proposition to rescind the resolution to adjourn on Monday next.

The vote on the Wilmington, Rutherford and Charlotte road was re-considered on motion of Mr. Glass. Mr. Meares offered an amendment cutting out the appropriation.

A bill to diminish costs in suits at law. Mr. Botham moved to strike out the first section. Ayes 50, noes 45.

The bill was then passed.

A motion to [illegible] was lost.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

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