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STATE CONVENTION.

DEBATE, Monday, June 15. Conclusion of this day's debate on the resolution in relation to the number of members to compose each House of the Legislature...

under the provisions of an Act of Assembly, which defines and limits our powers, and he did not hesitate to say, that he differed entirely from the gentleman from Halifax with respect to its construction and the consequent obligations which it imposes upon us.

the federal number for white population as the basis of the House of Commons. To those among his friends who doubted the necessity which exists for the protection of property in one branch, he begged leave to submit the consideration of a single fact.

Judge DANIEL, after some other remarks on the subject, withdrew his proposition. Mr. DOBSON said, he came to the Convention, in order to unite with the members from all parts of the State to carry into effect in good faith, the object prescribed in the Act of last session.

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the gentleman from Buncombe intends that we must maintain the proportion recommended or act in faith. It was certainly not his wish to do so, nor did he think that imputation could rest on those who vote against the numbers recommended.

He said, there was no one who deplored more than himself, the idea of an unlimited Convention. But he assured gentlemen, that if, by any arrangements of larger counties in both sections of the State, or if from any cause growing out of the peculiar principles upon which this Convention is constituted, injustice shall be done to any large portion of the community, the struggles in which we are involved, will not terminate with the existence of this body.

Some remarks had been made in relation to the present degraded condition of North Carolina, which had been very properly noticed by the venerable President of the Convention. He asked in what respect had the State been degraded? He had always felt proud, whether at home or abroad, of being called a North Carolinian.

The gentleman from Wilkes had spoken of the great emigrations which take place from this State. If he was correctly informed, they are equally great from North Carolina. Gen. S. said he could tell the gentleman what caused these great emigrations.

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He would say, with perfect sincerity, that if he knew his own heart, no gentleman in this Convention came to its deliberations, with less of party or sectional feelings, or more anxious to terminate forever, the differences between the two sections of the State.

He said he doubted whether the principles of compromise, which would have met the concurrence of the gentleman, were on the whole as favorable as those adopted by the General Assembly. Governments were instituted among men, for the protection of life, liberty and property.

This was objected to by several members as unnecessary, and calculated to protract the decision of the question; that every member would make his own calculations and vote accordingly.

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