

any justice of the peace to cause the prisoners to be brought before him; and after examining the process by which they were returned, it shall be his duty to order them to the jail of some adjacent county. Whenever it shall happen there is no public jail in any county, prisoners may be committed to the jail of any adjoining county, and jurors compelled to receive them.

21 To give further time for paying in entry money. [Gives until the 15th December next.]

22 Drawing the entry taker of Yancy county to issue warrants in certain cases. [To issue warrants on entries made while A. Cook held the office, and on all cases where the warrant was demanded in proper time.]

23 To amend an act to provide for the punishment of accessories to felonies in certain cases, passed 1797. [Felonies die or become non compos mentis, so that a legal trial of such principal offender had, accessories may be prosecuted and punished.]

24 To amend an act passed at Hillsborough, in the year 1784, so far as it respects the listing of taxable property within this State. [Requires all persons to list all such property as it is their duty to list by said act held by them on the 1st day of January next.]

25 Declaratory of the duties of entry takers in certain cases. [Provides when an entry is made in any entry-taker's office, and he shall die or resign before a warrant issue, it shall be the duty of his successor to issue it.]

26 Making compensation to sheriffs for holding the elections in relation to the ratification or rejection of the Amendments to the Constitution.

27 Making it the duty of the Governor to convey to the Justices of the Supreme Court certain lands therein described. [To convey to the Justices, in trust for the county, any Cherokee lands remaining unsold in the county, on their giving bonds for the value thereof.]

28 For the relief of sick and disabled seamen. [Provides that the officers and seamen of vessels of the United States entering the port of Wilmington shall be taxed, at the rate of 20 cents per month, and any coasting vessel entering and port, not trading within this State, the master thereof shall pay for himself and each cabin passenger 50 cents, and for each officer and seaman 25 cents, to be retained out of their wages, to the use of the Wilmington Marine Hospital Association.]

29 To incorporate the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company. [Incorporates a company, with a capital of \$800,000, in shares of \$100 each, for the purpose of constructing a rail road from Raleigh to the termination of the Greensville and Roanoke rail road, at or near Gaston, heretofore called Wilkin's Ferry.]

30 To provide for the election of members of the General Assembly of this State, when vacancies shall occur, by death, resignation or otherwise before the meeting of the General Assembly. [Makes it the duty of the Governor to issue a writ of election forthwith to supply any such vacancy.]

31 Prescribing the time and places for comparing the polls in the different Senatorial districts therein named. [Revisions extended to the 1st, 3rd, 4th, 7th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 44th, 45th districts.]

32 Granting further time for revising and digesting the public statute laws. [Grants the further time one year.]

33 To provide for the temporary appointment of registers in certain cases. [Vacancies may be filled by three justices.]

34 Supplemental to an act, passed at the present session, to amend an act of 1833, incorporating the Roanoke and Raleigh Rail Road Company. [Exempts company from tax for 15 years.]

35 To suppress more effectually the vice of gaming in this State. [Persons keeping gaming tables of any description, subject to a fine of not less than \$200, and to imprisonment, not less than one month, and all persons playing at such tables, subject to a fine, not less than \$10, at the discretion of the court.]

36 To regulate private legislation. [Provides that any person intending to apply to the Legislature for the enactment of a private law shall give public notice thereof.]

37 Respecting the Board for Internal Improvement.

PRIVATE ACTS.

1 Making compensation to talis jurors in the county of Robeson.

2 To prevent the obstructing the passage of fish up Sugar Town fork of Tennessee river, Macon county.

3 Making valid certain proceedings of the county courts of Haywood.

4 To authorize the commissioners of the town of Wilmington to increase the taxes on the town property.

5 To amend an act of 1834, making compensation to jurors of the county of Chowan.

6 For the better regulation of the county courts of Onslow.

7 To amend an act for the better administration of justice in the county of Onslow, &c.

8 Providing that no person shall fish with seine or net in the waters of the Handly lying between Great Alligator river and the Fryng Pan, in the county of Tyrrell, between sunset and day break.

9 To amend an act of 1829, for the better regulation of the town of Wilmington.

10 To increase the capital stock of Weldon Toll Bridge Company. [To \$5,000.]

11 To establish Pleasant Grove Academy, in the county of Currituck.

12 To establish Ford Creek Academy, in the county of Granville.

13 To repeal the second section of an act of 1831, to amend in part an act of 1829, to compel the trustees of Moore, Chowan and Robeson counties to pay the jurors in preference to other claims, so far as respects the county of Moore.

14 To alter the time of opening and closing the polls of the elections in the counties of Gates and Chowan.

15 To alter the times of holding the county courts of Beaufort.

16 To pay jurors in Yancy county.

17 To repeal so much of an act of 1831, to incorporate the Charlotte Fire Engine Company, as exempts the members of said Company from performing military duty.

18 To alter the name of, and legitimate John Pettis Johnson, of Warren.

19 To prevent the falling of timber in, or otherwise obstructing the run of Ellis's creek, in Bladen county.

20 Divorcing Equilla S. Bennett, of Pitt county.

21 Altering the name of Martha Ann Screws, and legitimating her.

22 Legitimating John Willoughby and Ann Willoughby, of the county of Bertie.

23 To abolish the office of county trustee in the county of Moore, and for other purposes.

24 To amend an act, passed in 1822, concerning the division of Rowan county.

25 To incorporate the Deep River Gold Mining Company.

26 Repealing in part the 15th section of an act of 1834, authorizing the making a turnpike road in the county of Buncombe.

27 Restoring to credit John Masters, of Yancy county.

28 To divorce Catherine Parks from her husband Gabriel Parks.

29 To divorce Elizabeth H. McCaw, of Rowan, from her husband Win. B. McCaw.

30 To divorce Elizabeth Silva.

31 To divorce Margaret Massey.

32 To divorce Wm. Hines.

33 To divorce Mary Wall.

34 To divorce Lucy Colvert.

35 To divorce Frances Child.

36 For the better regulation of the slave laborers in the town and port of Wilmington.

37 For the relief of Rachel Edwards.

38 Repealing an act of 1833, directing the Judges of the superior court of Hyde to take up Sinecure cases before the third day of court.

39 Legitimating Thomas Pett, of Surry county.

40 To amend an act to incorporate the town of Stauntonburg, to the county of Edgecombe.

41 To amend an act to incorporate the Mattamuskeet Canal and Rosebay Turnpike Company, passed at last session.

42 Repealing an act relative to hands working on roads in the counties of Burke and Buncombe.

43 For the better regulation of the county courts of Lincoln.

44 For the better regulation of the town of Newbern.

45 Incorporating the Franklin Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

46 Directing the time of holding the county courts of Mecklenburg.

47 Incorporating the Lincoln Gold Mining Company.

48 Incorporating the Craven county Rangers.

49 Compelling the justices of the peace of New Hanover county to attend the term of the county court of said county, whenever a majority of the justices of said county are required to be present.

50 To authorize David T. Sawyer to lay off and construct a road, and for other purposes.

51 Concerning inspection of flour in the town of Fayetteville.

52 Divorcing Elizabeth M. Starnes, of Macon county.

53 Divorcing Margaret P. Spear from her husband Alexander Spear.

54 For the better regulation of the county courts in Brunswick.

55 Establishing Hookerton Academy, in the county of Greene.

56 To prevent the falling of timber in, or otherwise obstructing the run of Turnbull creek.

57 Amending an act of 1824, to establish a poor and work house in Jones and Randolph.

58 To incorporate the South Buffalo Gold Mining Company.

59 Incorporating Concord Academy, in Edgecombe.

60 To amend the militia law for the encouragement of volunteer companies in the county of Mecklenburg.

61 Altering the name of, and legitimating Wm. W. Eason.

62 Amendatory of an act relating to the town of Lawrenceville, in Montgomery county.

63 Preventing fire hunting in the night time in Hyde.

64 Divorcing Esther E. Nelson.

65 Incorporating the Episcopal School of North Carolina.

66 Divorcing Thomas Roberts.

67 To alter the name of, and legitimate Simon Davis.

68 Incorporating the American Gold Mining Company, in Mecklenburg.

69 To amend an act of 1830, concerning the county court of Rowan.

70 To alter the name of, and legitimate James Atlas Marks.

71 Repeating an act of 1822, concerning the town of Asheville.

72 Repeating an act of 1829, concerning the first regiment of Stokes &c.

73 Relating to the duty of the sheriff of Chatham county.

74 Amending an act of 1830 for the regulation of the patrol, so far as respects Camden county.

75 Directing the number of jurors hereafter to be drawn in the county of Chatham.

76 To amend an act of last session to establish the town of Le-Keville.

77 To amend an act of 1829 to authorize the county court of Burke to appoint commissioners to lay off a turnpike road from the Lincoln line to Ja-

cob Mills mill.

78 To emancipate Lucy Ann, Emeline and Priscilla, of Cumberland county.

79 Authorizing the making a turnpike road in Haywood county, and incorporating a company for that purpose.

80 To authorize the laying out and establishing a turnpike road from the South Carolina line, near the Black-house, to Cain Creek Bridge, in Buncombe county.

81 To abolish the Offices of county trustee and treasurer of public buildings in Gates, Chowan and Mecklenburg, and for other purposes.

82 To alter and amend an act of 1834, appointing commissioners to lay off a road from Morganton, by Barnwell and Barnett's station, to the Tennessee line.

83 To incorporate the Conrad Gold Mining Company.

84 To repeal an act of 1833, directing the manner in which constables shall be appointed in this State, so far as respects the counties of Hyde, Green, Washington, Tyrrell and Currituck.

85 To prevent frauds upon the revenue in the assessment of the lands for taxation in Yancy county.

86 To alter the name of Haywood Water and to legitimate him.

87 To alter the time of holding the elections in the counties of Currituck and Camden.

88 To divorce Tempe Hall.

89 Concerning the patrol in the counties of Edgecombe, Brunswick, Onslow, Gates, Northampton, Bertie, Mecklenburg, Lenoir and Martin.

90 To abolish the offices of county trustee and treasurer of public buildings in Montgomery, Mecklenburg, Brunswick and Surry counties.

91 To incorporate the Concord Gold Mining Company.

92 To incorporate Campalla, Creek Gold Mining Company.

93 To incorporate the Long Creek Gold Mining Company.

94 To incorporate the County Guard, in Rockingham.

95 To amend an act of 1816, to establish an Academy at Wintonston.

96 To amend an act of 1830, for the better regulation of Wintonston.

97 To alter the name of, and legitimate Hardy Lewis.

98 Making compensation to talis jurors in Randolph.

99 Appointing commissioners to run and lay off a road from the Deep Gap to Stephen Thomas.

100 To prevent obstructions in the navigation of the waters of Carteret county, and to appoint commissioners of navigation in said county.

101 To emancipate Belle and Nelson.

102 To secure to the Baptist church in Charlotte a lot of ground.

103 To amend an act of 1820, for repairing the road from Old Fort, in Burke, to the southern boundary of the State.

104 To alter the name of, and legitimate A. Bond.

105 To repeal in part an act for the better regulation of the Fair near Laurel Hill.

106 To alter the name of, and legitimate Q. Robertson.

107 To authorize Hardin Franklin to erect a dam.

108 To repeal an act to make compensation to jurors of the superior court of Haywood.

109 To alter in part the dividing line between Rowan and Surry.

110 To amend an act incorporating the Pitsborough Academy.

111 To abolish the offices of county trustee and treasurer of public buildings in the counties of Montgomery and Anson.

112 To authorize the trustees of Williams's church to hold and possess one acre of land.

113 To amend an act of 1824, to appoint commissioners for Clemmonsville.

114 To amend two several acts of 1824, to repair, &c. the road from Holeman's Ford to the Deep Gap, &c.

115 Relating to the cavalry of Macon county.

116 Authorizing and requiring the captains or commanding officers of militia attached to the 50th, 51st and 60th regiments to muster their companies once in three months.

117 Concerning the navigation of Cypress creek.

118 To annex part of Wilkes to Ashe.

119 Making compensation to the jurors of Pasquotank.

120 Giving further time to the justices of Haywood to return the list of taxable property.

121 To divorce William B. Morgan.

122 To incorporate the Claremount Gold Mining Company.

123 To incorporate the Hope Gold Mining Company.

124 Securing to William Tannahill and Benj. A. Lavender the right to navigate Pamlico and Tar rivers.

RESOLUTIONS.

1 Requiring the Public Treasurer to procure specie change for the redemption of the Treasury notes.

2 Authorizing the committee of Finance to burn Treasury notes.

3 In favor of Jesse Wright.

4 In favor of Bartlet Dills, jr.

5 Directing the Public Treasurer not to compound suits upon the Cherokee bonds until the first of December, 1835.

6 In favor of Neill McAlpin, sheriff of Robeson county.

7 In favor of Leonard Buchanan.

8 Relating to the Marine Hospital Association.

9 In favor of Zachariah C. Miller.

10 Directing the employment of additional Engrossing Clerks.

11 To employ assistant engrossing Clerks.

12 Directing our exchange of the Supreme Court Reports. [Governor to transmit a copy of the Supreme Court Reports to each of the States and Territories in the Union.]

13 In favor of Matthew Miller.

14 In favor of James C. Turentine.

15 Relating to the sale of Cherokee lands. [Authorizes the Governor to appoint a commissioner to sell the remaining lands, which have been surveyed, acquired from the Cherokee Indians.]

16 In favor of Mark H. Hill.

17 Providing for a residence of the Governor, and appropriating \$450 for that purpose.

18 In favor of James G. Stockard.

19 In favor of John Cooper.

20 In the subject of incendiary publications. [Declaring that North Carolina alone has the right to legislate over the slaves in her territory,

having the co-operation of other States in passing laws to prevent the circulation of incendiary publications among the States requesting our sister States to enact penal laws prohibiting the publication of such papers; denying the right of Congress to liberate the slaves in the District of Columbia; and expressing a reliance upon Congress to prohibit the circulation of incendiary publications through the post office department.]

21 Calling upon Congress for an appropriation of money to improve the navigation of Core Sound.

22 Directing George Gilbreath to deliver the public arms in his possession to the commandant of the 24th regiment.

23 Directing the public Treasurer to pay the clerk of the Senate 20 cents per week for the use of the Senate.

24 In favor of the widow of the late Wm. Gilliam, de'd.

25 In favor of D. L. Barringer.

26 For payment of contingent expenses. [Appropriates 18 dollars and 25 cents for articles furnished Government House during session.]

27 Directing the clerk of the Legislature, State House, to give notice of the will of the late Wm. Gilliam.

28 Authorizing the Public Treasurer to borrow not exceeding \$50,000 to defray current expenses of the State Government, if necessary.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Edmonston, a bill giving further time to the Justices of the Peace for the county of Haywood to return the list of the taxable property. By Mr. Welborn, a bill to annex a part of Wilkes to the county of Ashe. By Mr. Whitehurst, a bill making compensation to the jurors of Pasquotank. By Mr. Polk, a bill to incorporate the Claremount Gold Mining Company. By Mr. Wilson, a bill giving widows, who may not dissent from their husbands' wills, a distributive share of the residuum of their husbands', personal estate, not given away in their wills, providing that widows who may dissent from their husbands' wills may, within six months from the probate, file their petitions in the County Court, for one year's provisions, and for other purposes. The last named bill was read the first time, and the four first passed their three readings, and were ordered to be engrossed.

The Senate entered upon the orders of the day, and resumed the consideration of the Resolutions respecting the Public Domain; and the question on Mr. Little's amendment, to strike out all after the word resolved, and insert a substitute, was decided in the negative—ayes 27, noes 33.

A motion was made by Mr. Bryan to amend the resolutions—by adding the following clause at the end of one of the resolutions:

"And any act on the part of the Congress of the United States, by which the minimum price at which these lands are now sold, shall be reduced, would seriously affect the prosperity of the old States, and do great injustice to those States by which they were originally ceded to the Confederacy; and moreover, it is the opinion of this General Assembly, that, as the public debt has been extinguished, and the object for which the cession of the respective portions of the Public Domain by the States which originally held them, has thereby been accomplished, and the lien thereon discharged, that such disposition of the public lands, or the proceeds thereof, ought to be made among the States of the Union as shall be proportioned to the respective sacrifices and expenditures incurred by them in support of the United States, or at least in proportion to their federal population."

The question on the adoption of this amendment, was decided in the negative—ayes 25, noes 34. The vote on this question, affords a fair test of the opinion of the Senators on the proposition to divide the proceeds of the public lands among the States, and we therefore insert the Ayes and Noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bell, Bryson, Bullock, Dowd, Gambell, Harrison, Huggins, Joyner, Kendall, Little, Long, Martin, Moody, Morehead, Moore of R., Moore of S., Move of P., Polk, Selby, Stanley, Ellett, Welborn, Williams of B., and Wolfe.

Noes—Messrs. Alexander, Allison, Baker, Brittain, Cooper of M., Cooper of G., Comarins, Edmonston, Edwards, Evans, Fox, Gwin, Houlter, Hussey, Kerr, Lindsay, McCanna, Marshall, Mebane, Move of G., Patterson, Patterson, Bladen, Head, Shreve, Simon, Stephens, Yarr, Waugh, Whitehurst, Whitehurst, Williams of F., Williams of P., Wilson, Wyche.

Mr. Little then introduced an amendment, declaring that Congress has the Constitutional right to distribute the proceeds of the public lands among the States; which was negatived, 34 to 25. Mr. Moore, of Stokes, moved an amendment, asserting the constitutional right of Congress to distribute the proceeds of the public lands among the States, according to their respective proportions in the general charge and expenditures, or according to federal population; which was also negatived, 34 to 26. Mr. Wilson then moved to lay the resolutions on the table; which was negatived 36 to 25; but before the question was taken on their third reading, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Mr. J. W. Guinn, from the committee of propositions and Grievances, reported unfavorably to the petition of Edmund Harlin, of Rutherford. Concurred in.

Mr. G. also reported a bill to divorce Tempe Hale, and a bill to divorce Thomas Roberts, which passed their first reading.

Mr. Graham, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported adversely on the petition of Josiah Vanderpool. Concurred in.

Mr. Graham, from the joint select committee on that subject, reported a bill granting further time for revising and digesting the Public Statute Laws,

which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Jacobs, ordered to be printed with the Report.

On motion of Mr. Clingman.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending our penal laws, as to render the punishment in all instances capital for the offences of attempting to incite our Slaves to rebellion, and circulating incendiary publications in the State.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Clarke, to amend an act, passed at last session, establishing the town of Leachville, in Beaufort county. By Mr. Gee, to divorce Wm. M. Powell, of Halifax. By Mr. Bryan, to divorce Esther E. Nelson, of Craven. By Mr. Pickett, to repeal an act, passed in 1822, concerning the town of Asheville. By Mr. Erwin, to divorce Henry T. Gillespie. These bills passed their first reading.

Mr. Clark moved that the House do now take up, for consideration, the Resolution from the Senate, heretofore laid on the table, proposing an adjournment of the two Houses, sine die, on the 21st day of December.

After a descriptive debate, in which a number of gentlemen took part, the House agreed to consider it, by a vote of 101 to 18.

The Resolution having been read, Mr. J. A. D. McNeill moved that its further consideration be postponed till the 21st inst. Negatived, 95 to 32.

Mr. Hawkins moved to strike out "21st," and insert "24th." Negatived.

Mr. Graham moved to strike out the whole, and, in lieu thereof insert a Resolution to appoint a joint select committee, to inquire on what day the Legislature can adjourn, consistently with the public interest. Negatived, 65 to 59.

Mr. Hall moved to strike out "21st," and insert "23d," which was negatived, and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Waddell, from the select committee on the subject, reported the bill to divide Rowan county, with an amendment. Mr. Taylor moved for its indefinite postponement, which was decided in the affirmative, ayes 66—noes 51.

The bill to establish the Bank of Albemarle, in Elizabeth city, was read the second time and rejected, yeas 60, noes 55.

The engrossed bill authorizing a loan by the State, to take reserved stock in the Bank of the State, was read the second time. Mr. Waddell moved to amend it, so as to allow the Trustees of the University, and the Directors of the Literary Fund, to subscribe for 2000 shares of said Stock, which was negatived; and the bill passed its second reading, 80 to 39, and was subsequently read the third time and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Waddell presented the petition of sundry citizens of Orange county, praying a division of said county. Referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Dunn, Eaton, Erwin, Henry, and Irion.

The bill to abolish the office of county Trustee, in the several counties within this State, was read the second time, and on Mr. Doddy's motion, indefinitely postponed.

The Resolution in favor of John B. Jasper, was read the second time and rejected.

SENATE

Wednesday, Dec. 16.

Bills rejected.—The bill to divorce Thomas White; the bill to prevent persons residing in Tennessee, &c. from driving stock to range in Yancy county.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Wyche, a bill, to authorize the Bank of Cape Fear and the Merchants' Bank of Newbern to deal in any public debt, or in the Stock of any corporation, authorized or created by any law of this State; also, a bill to amend the act to establish a Bank in the State of North Carolina. By Mr. Welborn, a bill to reduce the county Solicitor's fees, in certain cases; also, a bill to amend the two acts of 1834, relative to the road from Holeman's Ford to the Deep Gap; and the road from Cass' Ford to the Ashe county line. By Mr. Hogan, a bill to amend an act of 1824, to appoint commissioners for Clemmonsville. These bills were severally read first time and passed, and the last named bill subsequently passed its second and third readings, and was ordered to be enrolled.

Bills reported.—By Mr. Joyner, a bill to secure to William Tannahill, and Benj. A. Lavender, &c. the right to navigate the waters of Pamlico and Tar rivers, from the town of Washington upwards; also, a bill concerning the navigation of Cypress Creek; and a bill to authorize the leasing for a term of years of certain tracts of land acquired from the Cherokee Indians. By Mr. Bryan, a bill to provide for the election of members of the General Assembly, to fill vacancies which may occur before the meeting of the Legislature; and a bill prescribing the time and place of comparing the polls in the different Senatorial districts therein named. These bills were severally read the first time and passed.

Mr. Waugh submitted a resolution authorizing the Treasurer to transfer Bank Stock to the University, and to the Literary Fund. Read first time and laid on the table.

The Senate entered upon the orders of the day, and resumed the consideration of Mr. Whugh's resolutions respecting the public domain—the question still pending on their third reading. Mr. Wilson moved an amend-

ment, declaring it inexpedient at this time to propose any amendment to the Constitution of the United States, for the purpose of distributing the surplus proceeds of the public lands among all the States; which was negatived to. The question then returning on the passage of the resolutions, Mr. Welborn moved that the question be taken on each branch thereof separately; which was accordingly done, and the first resolution, which declares against the right of Congress to give the public lands to the States in which they are situated; and the first part of the second resolution, declaring that the Revenue ought never to exceed the amount of expenditures necessary to an economical administration of the government, was unanimously adopted. The second part, which declares that the proceeds of the lands ought to be cast into the Treasury with other revenues; and that Congress ought to reduce the revenue to a sum, which when added to the land sales, will not exceed the wants of the Government; but until that can be done, without disturbing the Tariff compromise, that any surplus which may remain, after defraying all the expenditures of the General Government, ought to be distributed, by Congress, among the States, was passed by a vote of 36 to 27. [We regard this as tantamount to surrendering all claim of the States to the public domain.]

Those who voted in its favor were Messrs. Alexander, Allison, Arrington, Baker, Beards, Brittain, Cooper of Martin, Cooper of Gates, Comarins, Edmonston, Edwards, Evans, Fox, Gwin, Houlter, Hussey, Lindsay, McCanna, Marshall, Mebane, Move of Green, Patterson, Patterson, Bladen, Head, Shreve, Simon, Stephens, Yarr, Waugh, Whitehurst, Whitehurst, Williams of Franklin, Williams of Person, Williams of F., and Williams of P.

Those who voted against it, were Messrs. Ballou, Bryson, Bullock, Dowd, Gambell, Harrison, Barry, Hill, Hogan, Joyner, Kendall, Little, Long, Martin, Moody, Morehead, Moore of Rutherford, Moore of Stokes, Move of P., Polk, Selby, Stanley, Ellett, Welborn, Williams of Beaufort, Wilson, Young.

The third Resolution, which declares that Congress cannot distribute the lands or proceeds thereof in any manner so as to give the preference to the new States, without violating the rights of, and injuring all the States, passed by a vote of 2 to 1.—The fourth resolution, which deprecates the giving to national questions, in respect to our public lands, a party character, passed by a vote of 36 to 27. The last resolutions requesting the Governor to transmit them to our members of Congress, passed 35 to 25; and the resolutions were ordered to be engrossed.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. Graham, from the committee on Education, reported unfavorably on the bill regulating the price of vacant lands, not exceeding 640 acres, and moved that the same be postponed indefinitely; which was decided in the affirmative, 76 to 22.

Mr. G. also, from the Judiciary committee, reported a bill to amend the several acts heretofore passed, to vest the right of electing Sheriffs in the free white men of this State, and to direct the mode of their qualification when elected. Read first time.

Mr. G. from the same committee, also reported a bill declaratory of the duties of Entry-takers in certain cases. Read first time.

Mr. G. also from the same committee, reported against the expediency of amending the revenue laws of this State, so far as regards Store tax. Concurred in.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Graham, to incorporate the Trustees of the Episcopal School of North Carolina. By Mr. Guthrie, directing the number of Jurors hereafter to be drawn in the county of Chatham. By Mr. Walton, to amend an act, passed in 1830, concerning the county court of Rowan. By Mr. Baker, for the better regulation of the county Courts of Brunswick. By Mr. McElherson, a bill relating to Patrols in Camden county. By Mr. Guthrie, relating to the duty of the Sheriff of Chatham county. These bills passed their first reading.

Mr. King, from the select committee on the subject, reported a bill to regulate the times of holding the Superior Courts in the 4th and 6th Judicial Circuits; which passed its first reading.

SENATE.

Thursday, Dec. 17.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Kendall, a bill to abolish the office of county trustee and treasurer of public buildings in the counties therein named. By Mr. Morehead, a bill to repeal sundry acts heretofore passed for the better regulation of the town of Greensborough. These bills were read, the former three times and ordered to be engrossed, and the latter the first time and referred.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Internal Improvement, to which was referred the bill to incorporate the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company, made a detailed report thereon unfavorable to the passage of the bill. Mr. Edmonston moved its indefinite postponement; which was not agreed to. It was thereupon read the second time and passed.

Mr. Joyner, from the same committee, to which was referred the memorial of sundry citizens of Carteret county, praying the General Assembly to obtain from the General Government an appropriation to deepen the channel of Core Sound; and to improve the navigation thereof; and a report thereon, stating that it is a work of great importance and cost-