

On claims reported adversely to the...
On motion of Mr. Shepard, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law on the subject so as to authorize a sheriff to make a deed for property sold by a predecessor, when the predecessor neglected that duty; and so to amend the law in relation to the sale of the real estate of deceased persons, that when the personal property is not sufficient to discharge the debts, a sufficiency of the real estate for that purpose may be sold without such an accumulation of costs as now exists.

On motion of Mr. Holder, the committee on Finance were instructed to inquire into the expediency of distributing among the several counties, the unexpended balance of surplus now on hand, and also the 4th instalment, should it be received, in aid of the county funds, or to be loaned out by them, and the interest only to constitute a portion of such funds.

Mr. Moore, from the committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported a bill to amend the inspection laws; which passed its first reading. Mr. Moore also presented a bill to compel the jailor of Stokes county to live in the jail, and for other purposes. Read the first time and passed.

The bill to incorporate the Lexington Manufacturing Company was taken up. Mr. Edwards moved an amendment, making the persons composing the company, on its dissolution individually liable for its debts to the extent of their respective shares. Mr. Shepard moved to amend the amendment, by striking out all except the enacting clause, and inserting a provision, constituting the directors at the time of the dissolution of the corporation, trustees to settle its concerns, pay the debts, and divide the surplus; which was negatived. The question then recurring on the amendment of Mr. Edwards, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill ordered to lie on the table.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The bill to establish the county of McDowell was rejected—55 to 51.
A bill was presented to authorize the receipt at the Treasury, of South Carolina and Virginia notes.

SENATE.

Wednesday, Dec. 12.

The Speaker announced the following committees: Messrs. Cherry and Henry are added to the committee on the Currency and Banks as Depositories. Messrs. Davidson and Kerr form the committee to wait on the Governor, and ascertain at what time it will suit his convenience to take the oaths of office. Messrs. Shepard, Edwards, Morehead, Exum and Myers, on the Louisiana Resolutions.

Mr. Jones, from the committee on Finance, to whom was referred the resolution relative to distributing among the several counties of the State the unexpended balance of the surplus now on hand, reported adversely thereto. Concurred in.

The bill to compel owners of bridges to construct draws, was read the second time, amended and passed.

Mr. Cooper presented a resolution to adjourn on the 22nd instant, which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Exum presented a bill allowing compensation to the wardens of the poor in the county of Wayne; which was read and referred.

The bill to establish a county by the name of Stanly, was rejected—24 to 23.

On motion of Mr. Cherry, Resolved, that the committee on Public Printing be instructed to inquire whether any, and if any what mode can be adopted for expediting the printing for the Legislature.

Mr. Dockery presented a resolution in favor of Matthew Waddell, referred.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The proposition of the Senate to raise a joint committee to inquire into the failures of Sheriffs in making returns of votes for Governor, was concurred in, and Messrs. J. P. Caldwell, G. Thomas and Whitaker, were appointed a committee.

Mr. Ried presented a bill to incorporate the Phoenix Wool Manufacturing Company, of Fayetteville. Referred.

Mr. Crawford submitted a resolution, instructing the committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law imposing a tax on every hundred dollars loaned at interest, equal to the tax on so much real estate; which was rejected.

The bill to establish a county by the name of Cleveland, passed its third reading—56 to 53.

On motion of Mr. Gilliam, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the compensation of Clerks for making out transcripts of record.

Mr. Patton introduced a bill to empower the County Courts of Buncombe to draw jurors for each week of the Superior Court of said county. Referred.

Mr. Rand introduced a bill to emancipate Tom, the property of Chas. Dewey. Read first time.

Received from the Governor, by his private Secretary, a communication transmitting a letter from the Secre-

ary at Warpon the subject of ceding to the United States the Jurisdiction of the site of which the arsenal is now being erected in Fayetteville. Referred.

The engrossed bill to amend an act, passed in 1821, to incorporate the Roanoke Inlet Company; and the engrossed bill to authorize the County Court of Perquimons to purchase the bridge across Perquimons river, passed their third reading, and were ordered to be enrolled.

SENATE.

Thursday, Dec. 13.

On motion of Mr. Spruill, a resolution was adopted, instructing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of making it felony to steal mulberry trees, or their branches growing in orchards.

On motion of Mr. Morehead, the committee on Agriculture were instructed to inquire into the expediency of encouraging the culture of silk in this State, by suitable premiums.

Mr. Morehead presented a resolution directing the Public Treasurer, to pay to the trustees of the Presbyterian church \$100 for repairing the steeple of said church—the Legislature having had the use of the bell for four sessions. Read the first time and passed.

Mr. M'Diarmid presented a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the committee on Claims to inquire into the expediency of providing for the payment of pension certificates in the year the Legislature may not be in session.

Mr. Reinhardt presented a resolution authorizing the Governor to procure a house for the use of the Legislature, provided there should be a call session; which passed its first reading.

Mr. Moore presented a bill to alter the times of holding the Superior Courts for the counties of Stokes and Guilford; which passed its first reading.

The bill to amend an act concerning quarantine, and to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases; and the bill to exempt the aged and infirm from being compelled to serve in fire companies, and upon guards, passed their third reading, and were ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill for the better regulation of the town of Greenville; and the engrossed bill to incorporate Junco Academy, passed their third reading, and were ordered to be enrolled.

The resolution to adjourn on the 22nd instant was taken up, and amended by substituting 31st instant instead of 22nd, and postponed until Thursday next.

Mr. Dockery presented the petition of many citizens of Robeson, praying that free persons of color be placed under such restrictions in buying and selling spirituous liquors, as to prevent the traffic. Referred.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. J. P. Caldwell, from the committee on propositions and grievances, reported unfavorably on the petitions of citizens of Perquimons, relative to hauling seines; and of Pompey Jones. Concurred in.

Mr. Matthews presented the petition of militia officers of Stokes; and Mr. C. Erwin, the petition of Thomas Douglas. Referred.

Mr. Brittain presented a bill concerning deeds of trust. Referred.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making provoking or insulting language justifiable cause of striking.

Mr. Mills introduced a bill to incorporate the Rutherfordton male and female Academies; Mr. Patton a bill supplemental to the act establishing the county of Henderson; and Mr. C. Erwin a bill concerning land pedlars; which were read the first time and passed, and the last mentioned subsequently rejected.

SENATE.

Friday, Dec. 14.

Mr. Shepard, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred the memorial of the company, reported a bill for the relief of the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company. [Provides for increasing the capital stock \$500,000, and extending the credit of the State to the company to enable it to raise that amount.] The bill ordered to lie upon the table and be printed.

Mr. Rabun presented a bill to amend an act of 1855, to amend an act of 1820, for repairing and improving the road from Old Fort, &c. to Asheville, &c. Mr. Moore a bill to authorize the forming a fire engine company, and appointing commissioners in the town of Bethania. Those bills passed their first readings, and were referred.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the trustees of Davidson College, was amended, read the third time and passed, and sent to the Commons for concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Greensboro Female College; the bill to amend an act concerning idiots lunatics; the bill to incorporate the Lexington Manufacturing Company; and the bill to compel owners of bridges to construct draws, were severally read the third time, the first mentioned amended, and ordered to be engrossed.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Crawford, a bill to amend an act to establish the Clemmonsville Academy; by Mr. W. A. Blount, a bill to repeal the 2nd section of an act of 1832, for the incor-

organization of the militia of Beaufort county; by Mr. Wilson, a bill to amend an act concerning mills and millers; also, a bill to prevent the hauling of seines, or obstructing the passage of fish on certain days in Perquimons river; Mr. R. Jones, a bill to prevent the spreading of contagious diseases; and by Mr. Crawford a bill to attach a portion of Bladen to Cumberland county. These bills passed their first reading.

Mr. J. T. Miller introduced the memorial of the President and Directors of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road Company, in relation to the payment of the State's last instalment, &c. Referred.

Mr. Lane presented a petition from sundry officers and privates of the 56th Regiment. Referred.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the tax on pedlars.

Mr. Wilson introduced a resolution to send a message to the Senate, proposing to adjourn sine die on the 31st inst.; which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Nye, the House resolved to hold evening sessions from and after Monday next.

Resolutions condemning the course of our Senators.—Mr. Gilliam moved that these resolutions, submitted by Mr. Rayner on the 4th inst. be now taken up. Mr. Orr moved that they lie on the table until the 25th inst.; which was negatived—yeas 54, nays 58. Mr. J. W. Caldwell moved that they be postponed until the 24th inst. This motion was also negatived—yeas 55, nays 60. The House thereupon proceeded to the consideration of the said resolutions, in committee of the whole. Mr. Hill in the chair, when Mr. Rayner took the floor, and, in an able and eloquent speech, advocated the resolutions; but before he had concluded his remarks, gave way to a motion to adjourn.

SENATE.

Saturday Dec. 15

The engrossed bill to extend the time for paying in entry money; and the engrossed bill to appoint commissioners for the town of Hertford, were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

The bill to alter the time of holding the Superior Courts for Stokes and Guilford, passed its third reading, and was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Franklin introduced a resolution in favor of Hiram Higgins and Solomon Perry, which was read and referred.

Mr. Davidson, from the committee appointed to wait on the Governor, and ascertain at what time it would suit his convenience to take the oaths of office, reported, that he would appear before the two Houses, for that purpose, on Saturday, the 29th instant.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The engrossed resolutions in favor of Thomas Winkler and others, Benjamin Hawkins, and respecting entries of lands paid for and not granted in Wilkes, were adopted, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Winston from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the bill respecting the maintenance of bastard children, the resolution directing them to inquire into the propriety of making insulting language justification for assault and battery; so much of the Governor's message as relates to Executive right of pardon; and the resolution respecting trespasses and aggressions by citizens of other States and Indians made reports adverse to any legislative action on the several subjects referred to; which were concurred in.

Mr. Hill, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred the petition for a rail road from Fayetteville to Madison, with banking privileges, reported unfavorably thereon. Concurred in.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Blalock, a bill appointing commissioners to lay off a public road from Barnsville, in Yancey County, to the Tennessee line; by Mr. Brittain, a bill to incorporate the Buncombe Warm Spring Company.

The bill to incorporate the Cape Fear and western steam boat company, was taken up; & the question recurring on the amendment to make the property of individual stockholders liable for all debts, was decided in the negative yeas 51, nays 57. The bill was then amended on motion of Mr. Reid; and Mr. Whitaker moved further to amend it, so as to make individual corporators liable to double the amount of their stock. Pending this question, the bill was, on motion, postponed until Tuesday.

The House then resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Hill in the Chair, on Mr. Rayner's resolutions; when Mr. Rayner concluded his remarks; and the committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

SENATE.

Monday, Dec. 17.

Mr. Shepard, from the committee on Internal Improvements, reported a Resolution directing the Public Treasurer to pay to the Roanoke Navigation Company \$1000, on account of deferred payment of stock; which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Moody, from the committee on Agriculture, reported against the expediency of encouraging the culture of silk by premiums. Concurred in.

Mr. Allison presented a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the Judiciary committee to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the summoning of 42 instead of 36 Jurors.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the Judiciary committee were instructed to inquire into the expediency of declaring by law, how vacancies shall be filled occasioned by the resignation of Clerks, Sheriffs, &c. and also of passing a law ratifying the Revised Statutes as published by the commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Myers, the same committee were instructed to inquire into the expediency of requiring greater publicity to be given to conveyances in trust for securing debt.

Bills presented.—By Mr. Wilson, a bill to amend the law in relation to the sale of lands

of deceased debtors; by Mr. Morehead, a bill to prevent betting on elections; by Mr. Exum, a bill making compensation to the wardens of the poor; and by Mr. Dockery, a bill to amend an act to establish a literary and manual labor institution in Wake. These bills were read the first time and referred.

On motion of Mr. Fox, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relative to trading with slaves, as to require the articles, quantity, &c. to be accurately described.

On motion of Mr. Carson, the Judiciary committee were instructed to inquire into the expediency of legislating further relative to the supply of records of courts destroyed by fire or otherwise.

The proposition of the Commons to adjourn on the 31st instant, was laid on the table.

The engrossed bills to emancipate Caroline Cook, and her children; to incorporate the trustees of Pleasant Grove Academy; and to incorporate the town of Morganton, were each read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. Siler presented a bill to lay off and establish a county by the name of Cherokee. Mr. G. W. Caldwell, a bill to lay off and establish a county by the name of Union. Read first time.

Mr. Winston, from the Judiciary Committee, reported unfavorably on the bill authorizing the Public Treasurer to receive South Carolina and Virginia money. Mr. W. also reported adversely to the bill empowering the County Courts of Buncombe to draw Jurors for each week of the Superior Court of said county. Ordered to lie upon the table.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the Trustees of Davidson College was ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Gilliam presented a memorial from the President and Directors of the Bank of Cape Fear, praying an amendment of their charter. Referred to the select joint committee on Banks.

Mr. Hoke presented a memorial from the President of the South-western Rail Road Bank, praying a modification of the charter. Read and laid on the table.

The engrossed bill to compel owners of Bridges to construct Draws was read the second time and rejected.

Mr. Hill, from the joint committee on the subject, reported that the Governor would appear before the two Houses on Saturday, the 29th inst. and take the Oaths of Office as Governor.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Hill in the Chair, on the political Resolutions introduced by Mr. Rayner. Mr. Whitaker, of Halifax, took the floor and spoke for about an hour in opposition to the Resolutions. When he concluded, on motion of Mr. Hester, the Committee rose, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Delegates to the Internal Improvement Convention, held in the Methodist Church, in the City of Raleigh, on Monday, the 10th Dec. 1858, on motion of Col. Robert Macnamara, the Hon. Rufus M. Saunders was unanimously elected President, and Gen. James Cook, of the county of Davie, and John Winslow, of the county of Cumberland, were appointed Secretaries.

The following Delegates appeared and took their seats as members of the Convention:

From the County of Anson—John A. McRae, James M. Waddell, Calvin Myers.

Athens & Wilkes—E. M. Jones, James M. Nye.

Burke—Alexander F. Gaston, W. W. Avery, J. J. Erwin.

Bladen—Richard Gillespie, Isaac Wright, Haynes Richardson.

Buncombe—Thomas L. Clingman, Phillip Brittain, M. Patton.

Brunswick—W. R. Hall, F. J. Hill, John H. Hill.

Beaufort—Willie A. Blount, Joshua Taylor, David C. Freeman, John J. Hawk, Henry J. Toole, J. McWilliams, J. O'K. Williams, William A. Blount.

Bertie—W. W. Cherry, George S. Holly, James Allen.

Cabarrus—Dr. M. M. Orr, Joseph O. Farr, A. J. Shankle.

Carteret—James W. Bryan, Bridges Arundel, James Rumley.

Caswell—N. J. Palmer, L. A. Gwinn, James Kerr, Levi Walker.

Chatham—R. Faucett, Jonathan Haralson, William Albright, M. Q. Waddell, J. S. Gulline, Isaac Clegg.

Craven—Col. S. S. Biddle, S. Hyman, W. Waddsworth, T. P. Burgwin.

Cumberland—L. D. Henry, E. L. Winslow, E. J. Hale, John Hooke, C. P. Mallett, E. W. Wilkins, John Winslow, J. W. Sandford, Jonathan Evans, Dr. John McKay, Dr. T. N. Cameron, Col. A. Murchison.

Davidson—J. W. Thomas, Joseph Spargin, William Harris.

Davie—Gen. James Cook.

Gates—R. K. Speed, Whitmer Stallings.

Granville—Dr. John H. Herndon, Dr. J. T. Gilliam, James Cooper, H. G. Pittard, Samuel S. Downey, J. T. Downey.

Guilford—Dr. John A. Foulkes, Andrew Lindsay, Eli Smith, James Brannock, M. McLean, J. H. Lindsey, Abram Clapp.

Hertford—Kenneth R. Ryan, James Grimes, Hyde—Riley Murray, H. W. Gibbs, Tidman Farrar.

Johnston—Ashby Sanders, John Atkinson, James T. Leach, Josiah O. Watson.

Jones—William Huggins.

Lenoir—John C. Washington, Henry F. Bond, James B. Whitfield, James W. Cox.

Montgomery—Dr. John H. Montgomery, Thomas Pemberton, William Harris, Edward McCallum.

Moore—William Murchison.

New Hanover—L. H. Masteller, Jeremiah Lippitt, W. H. Haywood, Jr. A. J. De. Rosset, Thos. H. Wright, A. A. Brown, F. C. Hill.

Orange—Hugh McQueen, James Norwood.

Person—John Barnett, Benjamin Sumner.

Randolph—Jesse Walker, Jonathan Worth, Benj. Swain, J. E. Leach, Geo. Hoover, J. M. A. Drake, James Harper, Jonathan Redding, Zebec-dee Rush, W. B. Lane.

Rowan—Col. Robert Macnamara, Dr. Pleas-

ant Henderson, J. M. Mc-

Partee, C. K. Wheeler, Dr. B. Austin, Carr.

Rockingham—Col. P. Scales.

Rutherford—W. E. Mills, J. H. Bedford, W. T. Miller.

Tyrrell—H. G. Spruill.

Wake—William Boylan, W. R. Gales, Geo. E. Badger, Alfred Jones, R. M. Saunders, Willis Whitaker, John W. Harris, James B. Shepard, Thomas Loring, Thomas J. Lemay, John H. Bryan, C. F. M. Garnet, Johnson Busbee, Allen Rogers, Richard Smith.

Washington—David C. Gayther, John D. Bernet, John B. Gibson, Taylor H. Walker, Wayne—Wills Hall, James Griswold, Dr. S. A. Andrews, A. Borden, John W. Sasser, Joseph Seawell Jones, Geo. D. Droide.

On motion of Mr. Clingman, Major William Gibbs McNeill, and his assistant engineer, Mr. J. H. Dickerson, were unanimously invited to take seats as members of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Cherry, Gen. Jas. Owen, President of the Wilmington & Halifax Rail Road; and, on motion of Mr. Burgwin, Hon. W. B. Shepard; and, on motion of Mr. J. Seawell Jones, Dr. J. W. Hawkins, were invited to take seats as members of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Henry, a committee, denominated the General Committee, consisting of 13 Delegates, one from each Congressional District, were appointed by the Chair. The President appointed the following delegates: E. L. Winslow, Dr. J. W. Hawkins, Dr. M. M. Orr, Taylor H. Walker, Gen. Edmund Jones, Thomas L. Clingman, Col. Robert Macnamara, Jeremiah Lippitt, Dr. J. A. Foulkes, Hon. John H. Bryan, Hon. W. B. Shepard, George Holley, James W. Bryan.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. McRae, and adopted: Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to prepare and report rules of order for the government of this Convention.

The following Delegates compose the Committee: John A. McRae, Hugh McQueen, Thomas L. Clingman, F. C. Hill, and Dr. Andrews.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Caswell and Person counties in regard to a liberal system of Internal Improvement, and to the improvement of the Dan and Roanoke rivers were read; and, on motion of Mr. Clingman, referred to the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. James Shepard, Mr. Herron, assistant engineer on the Raleigh and Gaston Road; and, on motion of Mr. J. Seawell Jones, Col. Joyner, were invited to take seats in this Convention.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 11 o'clock on Tuesday.

Tuesday, Dec. 11.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

The following Delegates appeared and took their seats: Edwin G. Read and William Beard, of Person; Thomas H. Willie, and Russel Kingstaby, of Granville; John H. Haughton, Robt. Smith, and Benj. Houze, of Chatham; and Dr. John McKay, of Cumberland.

Mr. McRae, from the committee of five, to read rules for the government of the Convention, made a report, which was amended, on motion of Mr. Gaston, by adding thereto the following resolution, and adopted:

Resolved, That each county represented in this Convention be entitled to as many votes as they are entitled to members in the House of Commons—provided that each county shall be entitled to one vote.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Herndon, and, on his motion, referred to the General Committee: Whereas we believe it to be of vital importance to the State of North Carolina to take vigorous efficient measures to foster and stimulate the enterprise of her citizens so as to enable them to attain that degree of wealth and prosperity at home, in search of which they are now compelled to emigrate to the new States, and whereas we sincerely believe that nothing will contribute more to secure that object than a judicious system of Internal Improvement: Therefore

Resolved 1st. That we deem it consistent with justice and good policy, that proper aid should be extended first to those works now in progress, by giving the credit of the State to the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company for \$500,000, on such conditions and under such restrictions as the Legislature may, in their wisdom deem best—and by advancing to the Raleigh & Wilmington Rail Road Company the instalments due by the State, without waiting for the payment of those due by individuals.

Resolved 2. That we believe it to be highly expedient, and therefore respectfully recommend to the General Assembly, to take on the part of the State three fourths of the stock in the Rail Road from Fayetteville westward, and two-fifths of the stock in the Raleigh and Columbia Rail Road.

Resolved 3. That we believe it to be highly expedient, and therefore respectfully recommend to the General Assembly, to take on the part of the State three fourths of the stock in the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company for \$500,000, on such conditions and under such restrictions as the Legislature may, in their wisdom deem best—and by advancing to the Raleigh & Wilmington Rail Road Company the instalments due by the State, without waiting for the payment of those due by individuals.

Resolved 4. That in the opinion of this Convention the hitherto sectional jealousies existing in our Legislative councils have prevented the cooperation of the members thereof in works of Internal Improvement within the limits of our State; and whereas we believe that such a feeling is only calculated to retard our prosperity and tarnish the honor of our State: Be it therefore

Resolved 1st. That our Legislative bodies should regard solely the interests of the State at large—lay aside forever the feeling of entire sectional interest, as tending to frustrate in their advancement, prosperity and enlightenment of the people.

Resolved 2d. That, as there must be a compromise in all efforts for improvement, those works which will secure most to the benefit of the State at large should be first undertaken.

Resolved 3d. That this Convention do recommend, among other works of Internal Improvement in which the State should take a zealous interest, the opening of neglected routes, at the foot of Allegheny Sound.

Resolved 4th. That in the opinion of this Convention, the opening of an Inlet, when completed, will be a great source of revenue to all who should embark capital in the enterprise, we therefore recommend it to the consideration of the General Assembly, as a work in which the funds of the State may be profitably invested.

Resolved 5th. That our Legislature will, in

before may consider... ought not to be regarded... concerns, and assist in its completion.

Mr. Arundel offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the committee of thirteen: Resolved, That the General Committee inquire into the expediency of recommending to the Legislature the passing of an act to construct a Rail Road from some point on Beaufort Harbor, and running in a direct line thence to the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road, and extending to said road the patronage of the State.

Mr. Lippett offered the following resolution, which, on motion of Mr. Haywood, was laid on the table: Resolved, That a memorial be prepared and presented to the Legislature asking for the passage of a law establishing limited co-partnerships.

Dr. Andrews offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee of thirteen: Resolved, That this Convention recommend the attention of the general committee to the expediency of building a Rail Road from the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road to the city of Raleigh over the route surveyed by the United States Engineer in 1834; and recommending it to the General Assembly for the patronage of the State.

Mr. Scales offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the committee of thirteen: Whereas the present condition of North Carolina imperiously demands that some scheme of internal improvement should be adopted that would tend to the general interest and benefit of the State; and whereas a large portion of this State is represented in this Convention: Therefore

Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the consideration of the Legislature the expediency of incorporating a rail road from Henderson Depot, or such other point on the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road as they may deem most expedient, to some point on the Charlotte and Lenoirville Rail Road in the south-western part of this State.

Resolved, That the committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of extending said incorporation banking privileges.

Mr. McQueen offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee of thirteen: Resolved, That in providing facilities for the commercial relief of the people of this State, it is expedient to construct a rail road leading from the extreme western counties by the way of Fayetteville, to Beaufort.

Mr. Leach offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee of thirteen: Resolved, That the Convention recommend to the Legislature a central rail road, commencing at Beaufort, running west to Raleigh, and thence a good turnpike road continuing westward, to intersect the Cincinnati and Charleston road.

Mr. Burgwin offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee of thirteen: Whereas this Convention deem that the facilities afforded for the cheap and safe transportation of produce and merchandise from one section of a country to another, among the surest and most durable sources of a nation's prosperity; and as it is universally conceded that these facilities are offered in a pre-eminent degree by a free water navigation.

Be it therefore resolved, That the Convention do respectfully recommend to the Legislature to appropriate \$5,000 for the purpose of a thorough survey of the Neuse and Trent rivers. The survey of each to commence at their confluence and terminating at Smithfield on the Neuse, and Trenton on the Trent; and that this convention do recommend to the said honorable body, to appropriate the sum of \$50,000 from the funds of the State, for the purpose of carrying into effect such measures as the engineer employed to survey these rivers may advise for removing the obstructions in these rivers, and