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LEXINGTON, N. C. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1856.

Raleigh --- the Legislature.

Having been called again to Raleigh on important business during the last week, we have not been able for the last two issues of our paper to devote that time and attention to its columns which we desired. But as we are at home once more, we shall cudeavor to make the Flag as interesting to our readers as we possibly can.

While in Raleigh we attended on the deliberations of the Legislature as often as the nature of our business would permit us, and are pleased to bear witness that the members generally were punctual in their attendance as though they seemed to feel and to be fully conscious that a great and mighty responsibility was resting upon them; and from their self-satisfied air, we have no doubt that they feel themselves fully equal to mry emergency which may arise. That the laborer is worthy of his hire, is a maxim the truth of which the democratic members seem to acknowledge by their acts, in filling a the offices by members of their own body, who bore the brunt and heat of battle last summer, and the present Logislature has eg tablished the precedent that none but for bers of the Legislature can aspire to any office of distinction. Many good and wise men have heretofore doubted the propriety of appointing members of Congress or of the Legislature to offices of trust and profit -supposing that its tendency was to fraud and corruption, and that Legislators should he free and unbiased in their judgements, and not be subject to temptations so hard to he resisted as honorable and profitable offithat this is altogether a mistaken policy, and that the only road to distinction is through

But modern democracy has shown the Legislature, and if a man aspires to a Judgeship or to fill any other important office, he must first dabble in the dirty pool of politics and place himself in a situation to sell himself. Or, in other words, he must be in the Legislature and by voting for this measure and advocating that measure, he can sell himself for votes enough to elevate him to office. It was on this principle, we suppose, Mr. Attorney General Jeneins was elected, while Mr. Moore could command only a few votes-for after dilligent enquiry we could find no one who could give any other reason for his election, and his most ardent supporters never thought of offering as a reason, any fitness or qualification

which he possessed-though some thought he was elected through a design on the part of the democracy to bring our whole Judicial system into contempt and subject it to ridicule. And if such was their intention, we must confess that they are succeeding most admirably, and by electing a few more officers-such as Jenkins and lines, to the exclusion of such men as Moore and Smith -if they do not finally succeed in exciting the contempt and ridicule of the community in regard to the administration of Justice, it will be because the people have much less sense and much less appreciation of the truly rediculous than is generally supposed.-It was once remarked that if the Gods of a . nation be monkeys, what must the people Hines are fit to be the chief officers of North Carolina, what must be the character of the people in regard to intelligence ?- and what say aught against either Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Hines, for they are no doubt elever, honorable gentlemen; but it is truly lamentable verest of the State committed to boys, or non this most intolligent inspectors. of ordinary ability, of little native intellect.

respected abroad, are thrust aside, and the Warner. Now here was an issue which I which he displayed in an advertisement Sunday.

and ruinous policy. If a measure has not itors, to talk about a "spurious public print," sufficient merit within itself, why let it slide; surpasses every thing in the line of impuand if the democracy see proper through a dence ever before heard of, here or elsenarrow-hearted, selfish and contracted po- where. liev, to defeat a monsure which both justice! to a certain community and the interests of quotes from my article : "We people up the State deprond should pass, why let them here who know the redoubtable Jonas, of a section but the whole State.

very desirable provided it can be effected.

see an account of Legislative proceedings.

Congress.

Congress is in session, but nothing has been done as yet; and we presume nothing will be done but agitate the everlasting negro question. And so it will be to the end of the chapter.

FOR THE FLAG.

Sentinel" of November the 21st, an article

and still less of acquired and practical ing Mr. Warner, in the outset of my com- body else. knowledge. Did the citizens of the 7th manication, and says that Mr. Warner nev-Judical District-they who were most deep- er said that the two illegal votes were offer- quotation, or what purports to be a quotaby interested, require the election of Mr. and by the American party. "but simply tion from my communication, but to which Hines at the hands of their Representatives ? that they were attempted to be east by two he has added at least four lines which were By no means. On the contrary, it was dis- individual members of that party," now let never written by me, and thus endeavors to tinetly stated and not dealed, in both Hou- us see who has "misrepresented" Mr. place me in a false position before the peoses, that all parties in that District desired Warner. What he did say, was that "they ple of Forsyth, and the readers of the "Senthe election of Mr. Smith, and that his elec- were offered by the Know Nothings."- tinel," many of whom will never see this tion was important to the allministration of Now what does he mean by that, if he does communication. Now in order that your Justice. Why, then, was Mr. Hines elected not mean that they were offered by the A- readers may see his meanness, I will give and forced upon a community against their merican party, or has the mighty intellect them both versions: "Our opinion is that wish? Parry demanded it; king caucus of Jonas Warner, so fertile in nice distinct the old man's statements may be false, but had so ordered it, and so it must be done. tions discovered that they are not the same; if true, that he is not sufficiently intelligent Mr. Burton a democratic Solicitor has been or does he mean those natural Know Noth- to be an inspector of the polls at a Comturned out of office, and Mr. Enwis, a dem- ings of which there is no searcety among mons box, is based upon the intelligence ocratic member of the Legislature objeted the Democracy about Ketner's, and to which he displayed in an advertisement in his stead. We have nothing to say which class some "fokes" are uncharitable which for many weeks graced the store against the election of Mr. Erwin only our amough to suppose that Jonas himself mry house of Messrs. Cooper & Wharton, in the objection is the democratic practice of fill- belong. He then quotes from my commu- town of Clemmonsville, and of which the ing offices out of the Legislature. Mr. E. mention as follows: "Now Mr. Ednorthis following is a copy, (taken from) memory). is a gentleman of ability and will no doubt may or may not be so," and attempts to the date being forgotten: show that it "easts reflections upon the Democracy is said to be progressive ,- old man's character for truthfulness." Now and what is the result of its progression ?- let us examine what is the purport of my and shouse, will please come forward and Simply that such men as Baboer. Granty. language: it was charged on one side that pay me up, because I want to settle up with Morehead, Moore, RAYNER, MILLER, Our-there had been illegal votes polled by the Mister Breets. LAW and a host of others, who are erna- Democrats at the late election at Keiner's, Now the following is what I did say :- member to buy me a penny whistle, and let Buffaloe.

mitted to such men as Biggs, Ried, Hines, either party. Is not that all that my language Jenkins, and a great many others too nu- implies? Surely no man not entirely lost to merous and entirely too small to mention. every sense of justice will contend that it But this democracy is all powerful, and in implies anything else. Again he says that copy, the date being forgutten: the language of the eloquent Senator from Mr. Warner was " driven to make his state-Nash-" What e'er it touched, it frozed," ments in self defence, upon being falsely and it is very certain that it "has touched and maliciously attacked in a spurious pub; to froze" the great, interest of North Caro- lie print," now as to the grounds for supposing that illegal votes were cast at the The question of Internal Improvements late election in Forsyth, I will say nothing, is exciting considerable interest in the Leg- for that has been sufficiently commented islature. Many schemes have been brought upon in the Flag heretofore. But for a forward, all of which are considered of the scribler for that contemptible sheet, the utmost importance by their especial advo- Western Sentinel," one of whose editors cat's. We doubt whether any of the many once joined the "Know Nothings" and then bil's now introduced will pass, though we set up a paper for the purpose of denouncshould not be surprized if they all were cary ing them without ever having obtained a rid by a system of log rolling. We depre- discharge, and the other a traitor to the care this kind of legislation, for it will in place of his birth-the character of which the end be certain to lead to a miss hievous may be inferred from the character of its ed-

This correspondent "A Voter," then

do it; but at the same time let them re- think it very strange that he cannot tell momber that a day of reckoning is coming anything more about it than your self," er an indignant and an outraged people and then says, " if Mr. Warner is neither will harl them from power, and elect in their to be credited upon a statement of fact, nor stead those who look to the interest not only has intelligence enough to entitle him to an inspectorship at an election precinct, per-Mr. Caldwell, of Guilford, has again in- haps the following gentlemen, who sat side troduced his bill for chartering the Peo- by side with Mr. Warner, and took the ple's Bank, and he is urging its passage same oath that he did not however a Know with great zeal and ability. Mr. Caldwell Nothing oath to tell lies, but an oath to has devoted much time and study to inves- hold an impartial election, could tell whethtigating the workings of our present bank- er the old man's statements be worthy of ing system, and is well posted up in the credit," thus insinuating that the members history of banks' generally. Mr. Caldwell of the American party take an oath to tell has been pronounced by many as visionary lies. Now this is one of the thousand base and looked upon by others as over zealous. hes circulated against the American party, But this, we think, is because they have and "A Voter" knew it was such when he not taken the trouble to isvestigate his made the instruction. He then gives the scheme, but have relied on what they have names of the gentlemen who were associated received and heard from those disposed and with Mr. Warner, and says-"Yet these interested to perpetuate the present bank- gentlemen are all alike reflected upon, and ing system. Mr. Caldwell's aim, if we accused of being corrupt or fools." Now rightly understand him, is to provide the does he mean to say, that an intimation means of developing the resources of the that Mr. Warner is not very intelligent, is country by means of works of internal im- a charge that those who were associated provements without increasing the taxes of with him are corrupt or fools. Now he can the people, and at the same time to keep mean nothing alse, and if his conclusions our public debt at home-all of which is are correct, I would advise every man who has any regard for his own character, nev-By reference to another column you can er to go in sight of him if they can help it, and they would do well to keep still further off. But the fact is that they were not reflected upon at all, and never would have thought of such a thing but for this lying scribler, but if they were reflected upon by my article, they were surely as much reflected upon as Mr. Warner, by the charge which, as he says, compelled Mr. Warner to come before the public in self defence .-MR. EDITOR:-I see in the "Western Now why did they not do likewise? why the fact is that Mr. Warner did not come headed "An outrage-Another Know Noth- before the public in self defence, but from a ing, like a blied mocasin, too much flated morbid desire to see himself in print. And with his own venom, hath bit himself," this he thought would give him a fine opthe author of which, exhibits a meanness, a portunity, and yet, every man who knows littleness, a baseness, and a talent for per- the "redoubtable Jonas," knows that he version and falsehood never before equalled never wrote that communication. Now as in this country, and searcely surpassed in evidence of the motives which induced him the blackest ages of Italian treachery and to "put out a piece," he came to Clemcorruption, and worthy only of such char- monsville after his paper immediately after be ? And so we would ask, If Jenkins and acte sas Cusar, Bozgia, and Francis Sforza: its arrival, and told every body he saw, that and whose production is unworthy to be he had "put out a piece," and that he compared with the most brutal lampoons wanted them to see it, carried it to the store that have disgraced any country, and which of Douthit & Son, and told the crowd asimpress will be made abroad in regard to purports to be a reply to my communica- sembled there, again that he had "put out a her great men? We have no disposition to tion in the Flog of the 7th of Novevember. piece," and gave the paper to Mr. Douthit, Now this contemptible scribler charges me and desired him to read the "piece" to the with an attempt to slander the character of company, as he could not read well. What! Jonas Warner, every word of which, is false. | eould not read his own " piece" well after to think of the present state of things in our i never meant to attack the character of Mr. it was in print, why he said he could not, and State, and we cannot refrain from express. Warner for truth and honesty, and the vet the contemptible scribler prates loudly ing our regret and mortification that party charge cannot be systained without strain- about his intelligence. Now if his object has become such a tyrant and parry ties so ing my language, and giving it a meaning in telling every body that he has " put out strong that men who aspire to the high and which it is apparent to every man that it a piece," and having Mr. Douthit to read it honorable positions of Legislators are so mover meant to convey. Mr. Warner is to the company for him, was to defend held in bondage, and their better judgement gracially regarded as an honest man, and humself, why did he not deny it verbaly inso completely warped that the best and no doubt stated what he believed to be true, stead of exhibiting so much vanity about wisest men of the land are thrown entirely but which is doubtful if he knew to be true, his "piece," for I can assure you that his in the back ground, and the honor and in- for illegal voters frequently impose upon word would have had as much weight here, as his "piece" written at his request, by Again, he charges me with misrepresent- " Collins the boy of all errands," or some-

He (A Voter) next proceeds to give a

All the folks what owes me for leather JONAS WARNER.

honor and interest of North Carolina com- did not undertake to decide in favour of which for many weeks graced the store THE house door of Messrs. Cooper & Wharton. in the town of Clemmonsville, and of which the following (taken from memory) is a

all the fokes what oes me for lether and shouse will plees cum forrid and pa up College. cause i want to settle up with mister preets

Now Mr. Editor, you will see that he has not only added to what I did say, but in order to screen the ignorance of his mighty hero, he has altered the spelling of every harm. Wonder when he's going to bite YEAS :- Messrs. Brogden, Coleman, Fenhimself, or has he already done so?

thus to pervert, add to, misspell and mis. H. Thomas, and White-14. represent my dommunication-did he suppose there was no danger of an exposure -did he think that he had so completely de- Eaton, Forville, Grist, Hawking, McDiar- Mortgages, introduced by Mr Pitchford, molished and used me up that he would mid, Martin, Miller, W. R. Myers, A. Mynever hear of me again-if so, he might ers, Ramsey, Sanders, Taylor, J. W. have profited by the history of "jonas, who Thomas, Ward and Wilder-24. though once swallowed by a whale, has of- A message was received from the House be made, which he submitted. ten been heard of since," and is still alive of Commons transmitting the report of R. and kicking. He then goes on to examine A. Hamilton, President of the Raleigh and indefinitely postponed-upon which Me the premises from which I drew the con- Gaston Railroad, with a proposition to Ogburn demanded the ayes and noes, which clusion that Mr. Warner could not tell any- print. thing about those illegal votes, and give it .- On motion, the Senate Chamber was refused to pass the bill through its second as his opinion that the whole matter is a granted to the Electors to-morrow at 12 reading by a vote of ayes, 49; noes, 58. fabrication. Now whoever asserts that, o'clock. that " notis" is a fabrication, passerts that which is unqualifiedly false, and if the as- was read transmitting a message from the the Historical Agent of the State. of credit, perhaps the following gentlemen, L. Swain concerning the documentary his-proposing to print the report of the Direcevery one of whom, I know have seen it. tory of the State. After some discussion tors of the Insano Asylum. and whose character for truth and honesty the message was laid on the table. are as good as Mr. Warner's, and infinitely A resolution was introduced by Mr. Cambetter than this scribler has shown his to eron, proposing to appoint some one to colbe, can be depended upon, viz: A. W. lect historical facts concerning North Caro-Cooper, S. S. Jones, T. D. Cooper and E. lina. T. Clemmons, all of whom will testify that I have done Mr. Warner no injustice in Lunatic Asylum was presented. Reading copying his "notis." Mr. "Voter" then dispensed with and a proposition sent to quotes the concluding sentence of my arti- the House to print. cle and says : " When, if we interpret right, this gentleman of the goose quill intends positions and Griekances, reported against to create the impression that it is probable a bill to free Sam Morphis, a slave of Jas. Mr. Warner was one of a number of ignorant Newlin, which resulted in and corrupt men, who were designedly ballot box, and holding an unfair election," Ramsey, Rives, J. W. Thomas, and W. H. and then adds: "Such a reflection might Thomas-13. more, New Orleans and other places, where Cherry, Clark, Dillard, Dockery, Fennell. any man having the smallest possible a- Wilder-27. was used ironically, and can by no distor- reported a bill for the distribution of the tion, be made to mean any such thing as Revised Code. you say it does. And as to the charge of Mr. Eaton, from a select Committee, remen being shot down on their way to the ported that the two houses meet in the polls at Louisville and other places, by Commons Hall, on Saturday the 6th of Deanother attempt to shift the responsibility Governor. from the guilty to the innocent party-for and wilfully lying.

dent of the Flag?-was it the insignificant Agreed to. · Sam' himself, or was it somebody else?" some body else. But who is the corres- Committee on Corporations. pondent of the "Sentinel?"-was it one of the great Winston indignationists, who pub- bill to amend an act of 1850, incorporating lished to the world that celebrated "Warn- the Tuckaseegee Turnpike Company. unfrocked. Now, Mr. Editor, I am done the committee. with this modern Titus-Oates. I hope he will yet reform and do better, but do not think he ought to have quite so large a pension as his great prototype, though he has certainly outdone him.

A few more words to Mr. Warner and I minutes read. am done. Sir, you said, (and you prized A report from the President of the Ralit higher than anything which you said in eigh and Gaston Railroad was read, and your article, as is manifest by your frequent- transmitted to the Senate with a proposily boasting of it,) that the Davidson people tion to print. need not measure Forsyth corn in their . Mr. Davidson moved his bill concerning Now, you meant to insinuate by that (if appropriate committee. voting, and that that is the reason why ter for a bank in Concord. they are so ready to accuse others. Now votes have ever been cast by Davidson men? None. Then why make the insin- which was dispensed with, was referred to the House. Senate refusing to allow nations? But I suppose you thought you would recriminate, cause or no cause, being true to the instincts of democracy.

CLEMMONSVILLE.

by her little boy: "Mama will you rements of the State and who would make her and on the other side it was denied by Mr. "Our opinion is based upon the intelligence it be a religious one, so that I can use it on the Mr. Mann, alresolution in favor of Sam-, instructing the clerk to buy a map of the respected abroad, are thrust uside and the Warner New here were an local transfer and the Warner New here were an local transfer and the Warner New here were an local transfer and the world in favor of Sam-, instructing the clerk to buy a map of the

SENATE.

TUESDAY, Dec. 2. The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Myers, of Mecklenburg, presented a memorial from the trustees of Davidson

Mr. Coleman, from the Judicary Committee, reported in favor of a bill repealing that portion of the Revised Code relating to peremptory chalenges of jurors, and proposing to allow 35 peremptory challenges, Mr. Eaton delivered an able speech in opword in the " notis," except one, and has position to the bill. He stated that of 16 99 of Revised Code. spelled them all correctly except two, and States of the Union, the laws of which he has even changed the spelling of one of had an opportunity to examine, none of slaves. them two, so as to change the sound. Was them allow more than 23 peremptory chalsuch meanness ever before heard of? Did lenges. He was seconed by Messrs. Gorany dog ever exhibit such plain symptoms rell, Wilder and Thomas, and opposed by of hydrophobia? I think not from his at- Messrs. Coleman and Hill. The vote betempt to bite those who never did him any ing taken on the bill on its second reading :

nell, Gibson, Hill, Holmes, Holt, Houston, Now what could have induced the fellow: J. B. Jones, A. J. Jones, Mills, Rives, W.

> Navs .- Mess.s. Battle, Bryant, Burgess Cameron, Carr, Cherry, Clark, Dockery, A bill concerning Deeds of Trust and

sertion of an anonymous writer is unworthy Governor together with a report of Hon. D. Another from the same body was read

The report of the Superintendent of the

Mr. Boyd, from the Committee on Pro-

YEAS. - Messrs. Brogden, Bryant, Camchosen for the purpose of corrupting the eron, Carr, Gibson, Hill. Houston, Martin,

well apply to disgraced Louisville, Balti- NAYS .- Messrs. Battle, Burgess, Boyd, quest that it be printed .- Agreed to. men have been shot on their way to the Fonville, Gorrell, Grist, Hawkins, Holmes, H. Harriss, of Surry county, praying to polls, by Know Nothing Sharpe's rifles." Holt, J. B. Jones, A. J. Jones, McDiarmid, be joined to Ashe county, and setting Now Mr. "Voter," you have interpreted Mills, Miller, W. R. Myers, A. Myers, forth that the citizens of Surry are wilme wrong, and you did it designedly, for Parks, Sanders, Taylor, Ward, White, and ling to have him leave.

mount of sense, can see that my language | Mr. Hill, from the Judicary Committee,

Know Nothing Sharpe's rifles, it is only cember, at 12 o'clock, to count the vote for pended and it passed its third reading.

whoever asserts that the American party taken from the table, and the Senate refused of the bill introduced by Mr. Ramsey, sanctions such deeds, is guilty of wickedly to concur. Mr. Gorrell then moved that a incorporating the North Carolina and message be sent to the House proposing to Virginia Railroad. The bill was put up-Again, this cotemptible scribler asks- raise a committe to which the printing of on its second reading. (Mr. Ramsey's "Who is the very accomplished correspon- Hon. D. L. Swain's report be referred -- remarks on the bill shall appear in our

Mr. Myers, of Mecklenburg, introduced a Now, for his especial benefit I will answer | bill to repeal certain portions of an act conhis question. It was not "Sam," but cerning Davidson College. Referred to

Mr. Thomas, of Jackson, introduced a

ing to Parents, Guardians and Traders in Mr. Jones, of Brunswick, moved the bill Particular," not to go to Salem, because, as to repeal 17th section of an act concerning they (lyingly) asserted, mob-law reigned the town of Wilmington be taken from the claims of David Patton.-Laid on the there ?-or was it that long "Plough-Boy," table. It was then put upon its second table. who has such a mortal dislike for a certain reading. Mr. Fennell introduced an amend- A message was received from the Mr. Moore ?- or was it the "insignificant" ment and the bill was then referred back to House concurring in the message from

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

TUESDAY, Dec. 2. The House was called to order, and the

own half-bushel-or words to that effect. - talis jurors be taken up and referred to the

you meant any thing at all.) that the David- Mr. C. N. White presented a petition reading as follows: son folks are themselves guilty of illegal from certain citizens in relation to a char-

Mr. Siler, a petition from certain citizens mittee on the Judicary. what evidence did you have that any illegal of Cherokee in relation to a Turnpike road. Mr. Jarvis, a petition, the reading of

> the proper committee. Several reports of committees were sub-

Mr. Bethea offered a resolution to the effeet that the Governor be requested to pro-A lady leaving home was thus addressed cure arms and equipments for certain eadets. Mr. Bledsoe, a resolution in favor of John

uel Williams & Son.

Mr. Gentry, a resolution in favor of Jas.

Mr. Scott, by leave of the House, submitted a report of a select committee on the election returns for Governor.

Mr. Blow introduced a bill in favor of the sureties of James A Brown.

Mr. Bullock, a bill concerning the Roanoke Valley Railroad Company. Mr. Gilliam, a bill concerning fish.

Mr. McIntosh, a bill to incorporate York Collegiate Institute. Mr. Stiles, a bill to lay off and establish

the county of Swain. Mr G N Lewis, a bill to amend sec. 6 ch.

Mr Mosely, a bill to manumit several Mr Erwin, a bill to amend the charter of the Greenville and French Broad Railroad

Mr Mears, a bill to repeal a part of see 95, ch 85 of the Revised Code.

Mr Gilliam, & bill to amend see 6, ch 120 of the Revised Code. Mr Montgomery, a bill to repeal an act concerning the dividing line between Chat-

ham and Alamance counties.

was put on its 2d reading. Mr Ogburn moved all be siricken out except the enacting clause, and a substitute

Mr Gilliam moved the whole matter be resulted in aves 44, noes 50. The House

A message from the Senate was read, re-A message from the House of Commons | fusing to print 300 copies of the report of

On motion, the House adjourned,

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, Dec 6. The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Chair presented a statement of the Bank of Fayetteville. On motion of Mr. Wilder, it was sent to the House with a proposition to print.

Mr McDiarmid introduced a bill to amend the act estalishing Harnett county. Also a memorial from certain citizens of Harnett county. Both referred to the committee on

Propositions and Grievances. Mr. Boyd, from the committee on Finance, reported, a bill to repeal sec. 1, chap, 28, of the Revised Code, and re-

Mr. Bryant presented a petition from

Mr. Hill, from the Judiciary committee, reported in favor of the amendment to the bill concerning the town of Wilmington. The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed its second reading. On motion, the rules were sus-

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on The message from the House was then Internal Improvements, reported in favor

next paper.) Mr. Thomas, of Jackson, from the committee on Internal Improvement, reported a bill to incorporate the Trent River and Tuckahoe Navigation Company. Laid on the table.

A message from the House was received transmitting a message from the Governor with papers concerning the

the Senate of yesterday.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate of their concurrence in the motion to appropriate Saturday to counting out the votes Speaker appointed Mr. Cur ningham teller on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Gorrell introduced a bill concerning Executors and Administrators, which was referred to Judiciary committee.

A message was received from the House of Commons transmitting engres sed bills, which were put upon their first

A bill to amend sec. 71, chap. 34, the Revised Code. Referred to the con

A resolution concerning engressing clerks was amended and sent back &

them a bed in their room. Mr. McDiarmid introduced a bill to amend certain acts incorporating the Fayetteville and Western Plankroom Company. Referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cherry introduced a resolution State for the use of the Senate, which he