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### STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

TWELFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Sept. 18, 1875.

The Convention met at 10 A. M. Mr. President Ransom in the chair. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hassell, of the Convention.

The Journal of yesterday was read, and after being slightly amended, approved.

Leaves of absence were granted to Messrs. Sinclair, Grantham, George, Blocker, Hinnant, O'Hara and Scott, of Jones. These gentlemen paired off with delegates of opposite politics.

Mr. Badger announced that he was not paired to-day, but that Mr. McCabe took his place as pairing with Mr. Durham.

The illness of the Sergeant-at-Arms was announced and indefinite leave of absence was granted that officer.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Clingman, from the Committee on the Legislative Department, submitted a report, relating to many ordinances.

Mr. Turner introduced his colleague, Mr. Patterson, the newly-elected delegate from the county of Orange, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. W. A. Graham.

Mr. Patterson came forward, presented his credentials, was sworn in by A. L. Davis, Esq., a Justice of the Peace, and after subscribing the prescribed oath, took his seat.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

Appropriately disposed of. By Mr. Vaughn, Dem., ordinance to amend sec 25, art. 2 of the Constitution.

By Mr. Woodfin, Rep., ordinance to provide the manner of submitting the amendments to the Constitution adopted by this Convention to the people of the State.

By Mr. Chamberlain, Rep., resolution requiring the Secretary to preserve and file all ordinances introduced and deposit same in office of Secretary of State.

By Mr. Thorne, Rep., ordinance to secure just apportionments of State and Congressional Districts and of municipal corporations.

By Mr. Rumley, Dem., ordinance to provide that the General Assembly shall exempt \$200 worth of personal property—being amendment to sec. 6, art. 5.

By Mr. Munden, Rep., resolution of adjournment sine die. Placed on calendar.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Amendment to sec. 8, art. 4; reducing number of Supreme Court—a Chief Justice and two Associates.

Passed third reading, ayes 56, noes 26—the following Republicans voting in the affirmative: Messrs. Bean, Bowman, Boyd, Bryan, Dula, Hampton, Hoffman, Kerr, Lowe, McCanliss, Wilcox and Woodfin.

Mr. Boyd's motion to reconsider the vote just taken, was,

On motion of Mr. Manning, of Chatham, Dem., laid on the table.

On second reading, substitute from Committee on Judicial De-

partment, dividing the State into nine Judicial Districts. General Assembly may reduce or increase number of districts. The substitute was adopted as the report.

Mr. Badger, Rep., offered an amendment, that General Assembly shall not abridge the term of any judicial officer except by impeachment.

Discussion followed, engaged in by Messrs. Badger, Manning, of Chatham, Jarvis, Robbins, Manix, Boyd and Chamberlain.

Mr. Bowman, Rep., offered an amendment, prohibiting the General Assembly at its option from increasing the number of Judges.

Mr. B. was opposed to flexible constitutions. Organic laws and fundamental principles ought to be beyond the reach of the whims of any party. Under the proposed amendment, the Legislature could increase the number at pleasure.

Mr. Manning of Chatham, Dem., opposed the amendment of Mr. Bowman.

Mr. Chamberlain, Rep., favored the amendment.

The previous question being demanded, several delegates gave notice of amendments.

Mr. Bowman's amendment was lost.

The other amendments were either withdrawn or ruled not in order at the time.

An amendment of Mr. Boyd, that the Judges rotate, was accepted.

Mr. Buxton, Rep., opposed giving power to diminish the number below ten.

Passed second reading—ayes 59, noes 17.

Ordinance to amend art. 9, sec. 4, was tabled.

To amend sec. 9, art. 3, was tabled. To amend sec. 4, art. 4; provides for creating an intermediate court, was —.

To make homestead fee simple; passed over informally for present.

To amend art. 9, relating to investment of school fund; recommended to Committee on Education.

Mr. Young, Rep., called up the resolution of adjournment sine die. The resolution did not prevail—ayes 35, noes 44.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Jones, of Yadkin, and Bunn, and the detention of Mr. Malson from his seat, owing to indisposition, was announced.

Ordinance to amend sec. 25, art. 2, was recommitted.

Prescribing an oath for members of Assembly was tabled.

In regard to adjournment and per diem, tabled.

To amend sec. 2, art. 2, relating to time of meeting of Legislature—inserting Wednesday next after the first Monday in January. Amended and passed second reading.

Several other ordinances, striking from the Constitution Senate apportionment of 1868, and sections and language now obsolete, passed second reading; after which, and at 2 o'clock,

On motion of Mr. Badger, the Convention adjourned till Monday morning 10 o'clock.

GOOD ENOUGH.—Gen. Barringer, on Friday, while speaking of the frauds perpetrated in connection with the issue of railroad bonds since the war,—said: "that he was willing to admit that some fraud and stealing had been practiced since the adoption of the Constitution of 1868, but it was a noticeable fact that Democrats had grown rich, while the Republicans had grown poor." A very significant fact; the Republicans have played cat to the Democratic monkey, burnt its paws, while the latter has enjoyed the nuts.

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### A Slaughter of the Innocents.

The Committee on the Legislative Department to-day, recommended that twenty-two bills referred to them do not pass, and they thus passed to their final rest. This is an indication of the trifling character of the propositions submitted, which take time to act upon and for which the people are taxed.

A bill was introduced yesterday to guard against "steals," similar to that of the bill passed by the "late fraud," yelet Legislature, in connection with the exchange of the Chatham railroad bonds. The Democracy are trying to make a pretense of honesty; it is too thin, the proposition will not be adopted.

After hanging about the lobby the other day, and hearing the resolution of Spake on the Bible question, we overheard a fellow get off this effusion:

"Oh mercy! oh mercy! good gracious," cried he, "Such a bewildered Convention, I never did see. In caucus, committee, session or chair, They are not worth their salt; I'll be d—n if they are."

In which opinion, no doubt, the people join the bard.

### Honorable John.

Mr. Bowman, of Mitchell, made a telling speech to-day, showing the fallacious plea of economy. The Judiciary Committee in its report recommended nine Superior Court Judges instead of twelve, and in the same report said, "but the General Assembly may reduce or increase the number of Districts." How inconsistent to say nine are enough and then say the General Assembly may increase the number at its discretion. Consistency, thou art a jewel. Mr. Manning of the Committee may come to wise conclusions, but considering he assumes leadership on his side, he makes a very weak argument in support of them. Why give to the Legislature the power to increase? Because it will be Democratic under your miserable gerrymander of the State, Mr. Manning.

Can't you look above party in anything, sir? You aspire to go to Congress next Fall, and the people of this District are watching your course, and thus far must adjudge you a man of small, bigotted ideas, intolerant in opinion, even arrogant, Mr. Manning. Show us more statesmanship and less partisan malignity, and if to Congress you will go, where you once went, for a short term, from this District, let us at least hope that you will prove more the statesman and less the demagogue by championing a measure pretending to economize by reducing Superior Court Judges to 9, and then saying "the Legislature may reduce or increase the number of Districts." Too thin, Mr. Manning, it won't hold water. The people are not such fools as you suppose. Give us real economy and less demagoguism. We don't want your flexible Constitutions. Give us permanent economy and good government.

### Our State Fair.

The presence of Col. T. M. Holt in the city for the past two or three days, reminds us that less than a month remains before the holding of the State Agricultural Fair, commencing October 12th and continuing until the 16th inclusive.

In this connection we desire to call the attention of the people of the State to the importance of a full attendance, both of the products and people; the necessity of a warm interest in a matter that conduces to the welfare and interests of the

commonwealth, should be apparent to every one—aside from the benefits derived by North Carolinians from so extensive an interchange of opinion, as can be obtained on such occasions, they are of the greatest importance, as permitting non-residents an opportunity, without having to travel all over the State, of learning the nature and character of our products, natural and manufactured, as well as forming an opinion of our people.

The more creditable the display then, upon these annual occasions the greater benefit derived by the State and the people, and in addition to the mere profit, a feeling of pride should induce every North Carolinian to do all in his power to make this, which has now grown into a State institution, a grand success.

We trust that the efforts of Col. Holt and his Associates whose time, valuable services and money, have been so freely contributed, will be appreciated to the extent of having every county well and fully represented in every sense; let the farm, the work-shop, the mines, the work of brawny labor, or the deft fingers of the women, everything in fact that when exhibited is creditable to our people, be forwarded to the Fair, and let the attendance be large, and the general interest commensurate with the importance of the occasion.

### Singeltary, of Wilson, as a "Cat's Paw."

Price, of Davie, did not behave quite so well to-day. While he kept quiet himself he caused Singeltary, of Wilson, to be guilty of a gross discourtesy to Mr. Manning, who had assumed championship during the illness of Mr. Bennett, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, by calling the previous question. Mr. Singeltary is young and inexperienced as a law maker and parliamentarian, and should not allow Mr. Price, who has felt the penalty of his impudence in calling previous questions, and being, as Mr. Turner said, "common informer," to use you as a "cat's paw" to pull out his chestnuts. Listen, Mr. Singeltary, to this warning, and don't be guilty again of discourtesy to your leaders who have charge of ordinances, nor guilty of such intolerance to those who differ politically with you. Other delegates have rights, Mr. Justice, of Rutherford, represents a constituency as well as yourself, and do let him be heard even if guilty of the impudence and folly of disagreeing with your highness from Wilson.

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## COMMERCIAL REPORT.

### WHOLESALE CASH PRICES.

RALEIGH, September 15, 1875.

General Market.

REMARKS.—

Business continues dull and quiet.

Sugars are very firm and on the advance. Other quotations unchanged.

MARKETS.—

Transactions in the staple yesterday were very light. The market closed firm at 14 to 14 1/2.

BAGGING, Domestic 2 1/2 yd 16.

COTTON TIES, 7@8c.

FLOUR, North Carolina \$7.25@7.50.

CORN, 1 1/2.

CORN MEAL, 1.10.

BACON, N. C. hog round, 14.

" " hams 18.

BULK C. R. sides, 13.

" " shoulders, 11.

LARD, North Carolina, none.

" " Western tierces, 18 1/2.

" " kegs, 15.

COFFEE, Prime Rio, 22.

" " Fair " 23.

SYRUP, common, none.

MOLASSES, Cuba, 50.

SALT, 22.25.

CHEESE, Cream, 18.

" " Factory, 17 1/2.

" " Dairy, none.

NAILS, on basis for 100, 4.00.

SUGAR, A, 12 1/2.

" " Extra C 12.

" " Yellow, 9 1/2@10.

LEATHER, Sole 27 1/2@30.

HIDES, green, 7@8.

" " dry, 13.

TALLOW, 9@10.

POTATOES, sweet, 75.

" " Irish, 22.00.

OATS, shelled, 0.60.

" " sheaf, 1.25.

FODDER, \$1.50@1.75.

HAY, N. C. baled, good, \$1.20.

CHICKENS, grown, 50.

EGGS, 20@25.

BUTTER, country, 25@30.

FISH, Mullet, 47.00; new weights—

new law, 100 lbs net, \$10.50.

" " Cut Herrings, 67.25 per bbl.

" " Mackerel, new family, \$12.00.

BEESWAX, 25.

RAGS, 2.

BEEF, on foot, 5@6.

" " dressed prime, 5@6.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

OFFICE BOARD COMMISSIONERS,

WAKE COUNTY,

Raleigh, Sept. 6, 1875.

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT

of the compensation allowed to the

members of the Board of Commissioners

of Wake county from Sept. 7, 1874,

to Aug. 7, 1875:

Solomon J. Allen, for 40 days, at \$2.00

per day, \$80.00

Mileage—172 miles at 5 cents per

mile, 8.60

William Jinks, for 30 days, at \$2.00

per day, 60.00

Mileage—142 miles at 50 cents per

mile, 71.00

J. R. Nowell for 30 days at \$2.00

per day, 60.00

Mileage—140 miles at 50 cents per

mile, 70.00

Wm. D. Turner, for 42 days at \$2.00

per day, 84.00

Mileage—102 miles at 50 cents per

mile, 51.00

A. G. Jones, for 45 days at \$2.00

per day, 90.00

Mileage—220 miles at 50 cents per

mile, 110.00

No unverified accounts were allowed.

Number of days the Board was in

session (46) forty-six.

NORTH CAROLINA,

WAKE COUNTY,

W. W. White, Clerk of the Board of

Commissioners in and for said county,

certify that the foregoing is a true and

correct statement of the amount al-

lowed the members of the Board of Com-

missioners for attendance and mileage

from September 7th, 1874, to August

7th, 1875.

W. W. WHITE,