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## STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

### FIFTEENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 22, 1875.

Convention met at 10 o'clock A. M., Mr. President Ransom in the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Kerr, of the Convention.

The Journal of yesterday was read, and after correction, at suggestion of Mr. Boyd, was approved.

The President announced that he had added Mr. Patterson to the following Committees, viz: Bill of Rights; Municipal Corporations; and Miscellaneous Provisions.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Bunn and Cooper.

Mr. Woodfin made an announcement that it was the wish of an artist to photograph in a group the delegates.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Bennett, from the Committee on the Judicial Department; Mr. Durham, from the Committee on Revenue, Taxation, &c., and Mr. Roberts, of Gates, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted reports. The ordinances, &c., reported by the last committee were ratified in due form.

Mr. Smythe rose to a question of personal privilege in relation to an article in the *Daily News* of this date.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

Appropriately disposed of.

By Mr. Bennett, Dem.: Ordinance to amend art. 2 of the Constitution; provides that no Convention or General Assembly shall act upon proposed amendments to the Constitution of the United States unless the body shall have been chosen after the presentation of said amendment.

By Mr. Sinclair, Dem., ordinance to amend sec. 10, art. 11; relates to the caring for of deaf mutes, blind and insane.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The resolution fixing *per diem* and mileage of delegates and employees of the Convention. The report of the Select Committee having reported as follows: President \$3, members \$5, Principal and Assistant Secretary, each \$6, Enrolling Clerks, each \$5, Sergeant-at-Arms \$5, Doorkeepers \$5, Pages \$1, for thirty days, with 20 cents mileage.

Mr. Withers, Dem., offered a substitute, making the *per diem* of delegates the same as that of members of the General Assembly, and striking out the limitation as to number of days.

The previous question was sustained, on the call of Mr. Durham, Dem.—ayes 75, noes 18.

Mr. Withers' substitute was adopted—ayes 72, noes 22.

The question recurring on the adoption of the report, as amended by the substitute, it was adopted—ayes 77, noes 19.

The rules were suspended and it passed third reading.

Mr. Coleman, Dem., introduced an ordinance to amend art. 6 of the Constitution. Requires a residence of six months in county, to vote,

and allowing no person convicted of infamous offence, to vote.

By the same ordinance to amend sec. 7, art. 14; relates to officeholding—disqualification not to extend to Trustees of University, or to any person holding an office or place to which no compensation is attached.

### THIRD READING.

Resolution defining duties of Committee on Revision. Passed.

Ordinance to amend art. 4—strike out sec. 9; relates to holding Supreme Court at Raleigh only.

Mr. Bennett, Dem., by leave, introduced an ordinance to amend art 5; relates to exemptions.

By Mr. Munden, Rep.: Ordinance to amend sec. 2, art. 5 of the Constitution.

The Supreme Court ordinance was considered.

Mr. Avery, Dem., offered an amendment, allowing the Legislature to change place of meeting. Adopted—ayes 54, noes 36.

Under the operation of the previous question, passed third reading—ayes 53, noes 37.

Mr. Chamberlain, Rep., was excused from voting on this question.

### SPECIAL ORDER.

The ordinance to remove the political disabilities of William W. Holden, imposed by the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, March 22, 1871, being on its second reading,

Mr. Badger, Rep., favored the passage of the ordinance in an able speech. To enable him to stand up in defence of his friend and the friend of the poor and oppressed, he was certain that prayers went up from the humble hovel, from the Sunday School pupils, and from the pastor who had led into the path of peace this man of no ordinary standing.

Mr. Badger showed from the best legal authorities that the Convention had the right to afford the relief sought by the ordinance under consideration, and appealed to the Convention to strike this badge of shame from the records.

Mr. Reid, Dem., stated that the Committee on the Judicial Department were of the opinion that there was no power expressed to pardon in case of impeachment.

Mr. Manning, of Chatham, Dem., said the committee were satisfied that the ordinance was legislative in its character, and therefore could not be acted upon by the Convention. They were of opinion that the object could only be met by an amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. McCorkle, Dem., took the same position held by Messrs. Reid and Manning, of Chatham.

Mr. Avery, Dem., offered a substitute, that such cases must be pardoned by the General Assembly, after five years from the sentence, and moved its reference.

Messrs. Chamberlain, King, of Lenoir, and Tourgee, Reps., addressed the Convention, refuting the argument of the Democrats. At the conclusion of the speech of the latter,

Mr. Manning, of New Hanover, by consent, introduced a *sine die* adjournment resolution, which was placed on Calendar.

At 2:20, pending consideration of the matter of relief of Ex Gov. Holden.

On motion of Mr. Albertson, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

When the final vote is taken to strike out of the people's Constitution the clause against secession, we think it would be appropriate to have cannon fired, as the traitors did in 1861. Jo Turner and his klan would enjoy this hugely. The fact is, Jo wants it done, but he is too shrewd to brave public opinion yet awhile.

## DAILY CONSTITUTION.

Is Ransom any kin to an Ingun? is the question often asked. We don't know exactly, but he looks Ingun. He has all the traits.

Since Patterson has taken his seat, Ransom looks rather worried. The Democrats having used him to carry out their nefarious designs, do not pay him the respect they formerly did.

A certain member of the Convention, and one of the most notable, is reported to have said when he arrived at Raleigh: "I had to borrow money to get here; I must get it back. I come with at least thirty days' rations." Has he got it back, and if so, how?

We wonder how many Democratic lawyers there are in the Convention who have executions filed away waiting for the triumvirate which they propose to establish in the place of the people's Supreme Court, to pronounce the homestead law unconstitutional so far as it relates to old debts. Rumor says there are several such Shylocks among the Democrats.

Jo Turner is said to be in favor of cutting out as much work as possible for the Legislature. He wants a long session of that body. The *Sentinel* is heavily pressed just now, and unless the Legislature assembles soon and has a long session, it will be compelled to collapse. With a long session of the Legislature, Jo can pocket enough from the public printing to keep him going awhile, provided the stockholders of the *News* don't take a turn in crowding him out. Turner is shrewd.

How the traitorous set in the Convention must glory in the simple revenge of being able to strike out the clause forbidding North Carolina to secede. If they could only secede in reality, instead of on paper, we expect the fellows would run wild with delight. We would not be surprised any moment to hear that they had ordered the National flag lowered from the top of the Capitol, and the old Secession rag substituted in its stead. It is not the want of will; they would do it if they dared.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.—The School Committee of Raleigh Township met at the residence of Col. A. W. Shaffer on last Tuesday evening, for the purpose of perfecting an organization.

On motion of Mr. M. V. B. Gilbert, Col. A. W. Shaffer was elected permanent Chairman, and O. Hunter, Jr., Clerk.

After a brief discussion, by motion, Mr. Gilbert was appointed a committee to wait upon Gen. Gorman, the Chairman of the retiring Committee, and obtain through him all the books, vouchers, papers and other property belonging to the Raleigh Township Schools.

Miss Olivia Starr (white) made application as teacher for the school (white) in 2d Ward. Mrs. M. R. Hood applied for the same school. Filed.

It was ordered that all applications for schools be made in writing by the applicant in his or her handwriting, and addressed to the Chairman or Clerk.

Mr. Turrentine, a teacher of fine talents, being interested in the establishment of a graded school in this city, was present and urged its necessity. It was partially considered, after which it was laid over until the next meeting.

On motion, the Committee adjourned to meet again Friday evening next, at 7 1/2 o'clock, at Squire Magnin's office.

O. HUNTER, JR., Clerk.

The most shameful outrage of modern times is the recalling of a Legislature elected without any reference to the questions now at issue, for the purpose of passing laws for a people who have by a large majority repudiated them. Every fair-minded citizen knows that if the question of the return of the present unpopular Assembly was presented to the people, the verdict would be largely against it. But what care the Democracy so they can fatten at the people's expense?

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The present Supreme Court of North Carolina saved the people's homes. For this act of justice the Democrats hate it. The first object of the usurped majority in the Convention is to destroy this court, because it is the people's friend, and place in its stead one that they can use. Mark our words; the very first act of the new Supreme Court if it should be Democratic, will be to declare the retrospective features of the homestead unconstitutional and open to execution the poor man's property for old debts. This is what such lawyers as compose the usurping majority want, and if the people do not check them in time they will carry out their designs.

It will hardly be much for future generations to brag of, when reflection carries them back to a Convention sitting in the capitol at Raleigh against the expressed wishes of the people, owing its organization to the treachery of one man and its continuance to two illegally seated members.

The "wealth and intelligence" will bear no very enviable character in history for upright dealing. We should not wonder if many yet unborn will blush for shame at the acts and doings of their ancestors. The pen of the future historian must be indeed a shrewd one to cover up the villainous proceedings of many who claim to represent Southern chivalry and honor. It is enough to cause every true hearted North Carolinian to blush for shame. And Ransom, what will be said of him? To think that the Old North State whose gallant sons went through the good old revolutionary age without discredit, and whose record stands unsullied on the pages of our country's history, should now be classed among the commonwealth as a State that brought forth a traitor to stab her dearest interests. It is sad—it is mortifying.

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#### A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 20, 1875.

WHEREAS, OFFICIAL INFORMATION has been received at this Department, that one Anthony Smallwood, late of the county of Bertie, stands charged with the murder of Charles Bond, of said county, and that the said Smallwood has fled the State or so conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him;

Now, therefore, I, Curtis H. Brogden, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do issue this my Proclamation offering a reward of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS for the apprehension and delivery of the said Anthony Smallwood to the Sheriff of Bertie, at the Court House, in Windsor, and I do command all officers and enjoin all good citizens to aid in bringing said criminal to justice.

Done at our City of Raleigh, the 20th day of September, A. D. 1875, and in the one hundredth year of American Independence.

C. H. BROGDEN.

By the Governor:

J. B. NEATHERY,  
Private Secretary.

### DESCRIPTION.

Anthony Smallwood is a black man, about 25 years of age; about 5 feet six or seven inches high; will weigh about 170 pounds; has a scar on one side of his face.

Elizabeth City *Carolinian* copy three weeks and send bill to Executive office.

### \$200 REWARD.

#### A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 21, 1875.

WHEREAS, OFFICIAL INFORMATION has been received at this Department, that one ERVIN DUCK, late of the county of Yancy, stands charged by indictment in said county, with the murder of Newton Keith, and that the said Duck has fled the State or so conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him;

Now, therefore, I, Curtis H. Brogden, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do issue this my Proclamation offering a reward of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS for the apprehension and delivery of the said Ervin Duck to the Sheriff of Yancy county, at the Court House, at Burnsville, and I do command all officers and enjoin all good citizens to aid in bringing said criminal to justice.

Done at our city of Raleigh, the 21st day of September, A. D. 1875, and in the 100th year of American Independence.

C. H. BROGDEN.

By the Governor:

J. B. NEATHERY,  
Private Secretary.

### DESCRIPTION.

Ervin Duck is thirty years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, has blue eyes and sandy colored hair.

Asheville *Pioneer* copy three weeks and forward bill to Executive Department.

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## COMMERCIAL REPORT.

### WHOLESALE CASH PRICES.

BAGGING, Domestic 2 1/2 by 16.  
COTTON TIES, 7 @ 8c.  
FLOUR, North Carolina \$7.25 @ 7.50.  
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BACON, N. C. hog round, 14 1/2.  
" " hams 18.  
BULK C. R. sides, 13 1/2.  
" shoulders, 11.  
LARD, North Carolina, none.  
" Western heroes, 18 1/2.  
" Kees, 18.  
COFFEE, Prime Rio, 22.  
" Fair " 23.  
SYRUP, common, none.  
MOLASSES, Cuba, 50.  
SALT, \$2.25.  
CHEESE, Cream, 18 1/2.  
" Dairy, 17 1/2.  
" Dairy, none.  
NAILS, on basis for 10d, 4.00.  
SUGAR, A, 12 1/2.  
" Extra C 12.  
" Yellow, 9 1/2 @ 10.  
LEATHER, Sole 2 1/2 @ 30.  
HIDES, green, 7 @ 8.  
" dry, 13.  
TALLOW, 9 @ 10.  
POTATOES, sweet 75.  
" Irish, \$2.00.  
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, \$7.00; new weights—new law, 100 lbs. net, \$10.50.  
" Cut Herrings, \$7.25 per bbl.  
" Mackerel, new family, \$12.00.  
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RAGS, 2.  
BEEF, on foot, 5 @ 6.  
" dressed prime, 5 @ 6.