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Ransom is evidently laboring un-
der great mental depression. Is it
because at an early day he is to face
the indignant people of Tyrrell
county? Can he go back to the
bosom of his constituents with a
conscience at rest?

The carrion crows who expected
to feed to their hearts' content over
the greasiness of another session of
the Legislature are doomed to dis-
appointment, we think. Josiah is
beginning to exhibit a wo-begone
appearance, and Cameron looks
shockingly unhappy. It is rather
hard to think that after all their
zeal the pickings won't come up to
the expectation.

Hon. Jno. R. Page, of Chowan,
has been quite ill for several days,
with an attack of the pneumonia.
But notwithstanding his illness, he
has been punctual in his attendance
upon the sessions of the Convention
and has been at his post every day
save two, when he was confined to
his room. He now reclines upon a
sofa in the lobby, and answers to
his name—though feebly—when-
ever it is called. Thus the Chowan
delegate serves his constituents. We
hope him a speedy convalescence.

The Robeson Outlaws.
The meanest looking men we
ever saw were the Robeson out-
laws—McEachin and Sinclair—to-
day, when they voted upon the
question disallowing them to vote
upon matters in regard to the title
to their own seats. They both had
a "mean grin" upon their counten-
ances, induced by the lashings they
received from Republican speak-
ers. They are sorry d—legates,
(we liked to have said dogs, but we
do not wish to slander the canine
species), and are a disgrace to North
Carolina.

Mr. Chamberlain made an able
speech upon the Robeson contested
case this morning. He handled the
subject with gloves off, and exhib-
ited the animus of the Democracy in
proper terms. He also characterized
the course of the "Robeson out-
laws"—McEachin and Sinclair—in
a befitting manner, during which
they wiggled and squirmed like
political felons, as they have proved
themselves to be.

The political plummet cannot
sound the depth of the grave in
which these puppets of an hour will
be buried when the people are al-
lowed to act upon their iniquitous
course.

An Unkind Cut.

Manix, of Craven, to-day, in
explaining his vote upon the Robe-
son matter, took occasion to deny
that the Robeson Outlaws, in vot-
ing upon questions relating to their
right to seats upon the floor, were
affording a parallel like unto that
of Ben Wade, in the Johnson im-
pachment case. He protested
against their entertaining the idea
that they were Wades, and stated
that only one instance had recently
occurred in the history of legisla-
tion where an individual had voted
dishfully for himself to attain a prom-

inent position. The Speaker blushed
behind his ears, and composedly
rubbed his snout.

The faithful are evidently trou-
bled because of certain kicking in
the traces, and rumors of an early
adjournment are rife. The so-called
Constitutional Convention may be
written down as a failure. Let it
be understood, however, that from
the first day of its session to the
present time the Republican mem-
bers of the body have labored ear-
nestly for adjournment and for thus
saving the people thousands of dol-
lars.

The so-called Constitutional Con-
vention has become a farce, and upon
the revolutionists will fall the
heavy responsibility.

Gov. Reid and Monuments.

In his last Message, Gov. Reid
(now of the Convention) recom-
mended that "two small monu-
ments be erected by the General
Assembly," and when, a few days
thereafter, the General Assembly
elected Gov. Reid and Judge Biggs
to the United States Senate, it is
said that Hon. A. W. Venable
remarked that "that was the most
obsequious Legislature he had ever
known—for it had carried out Gov.
Reid's recommendation to the let-
ter—only he thought the monu-
ments were too small to be either
useful or ornamental!

Republican vs. Democratic Liberality.

The men who swore to support
the Constitution of the United
States, and then engaged in an or-
ganized rebellion to break up the
government, have ALL been pardoned
by a *Republican Congress*.

The men who were convicted by
due process of law of belonging to
the kuklux klans, and of making
murderous midnight raids on Amer-
ican citizens for opinion's sake,
have ALL been pardoned out of
the penitentiary by a *Republican
President*.

The men who were indicted by a
grand jury for the heinous crime of
murder have ALL been pardoned,
before conviction, by the Legislature
of North Carolina, *at the instance of
and by the assistance of Republicans*.

All men charged with political
offences in the State of North Car-
olina have been freely pardoned,
and the only man under bands is
W. W. Holden, convicted of making
an attempt to break up the kuklux
klans, and save peaceable citizens
from being scourged and murdered
in their own homes.

Hear it, good people of North
Carolina! In the estimation of the
Democratic party, it is a greater
crime to interfere with the kuklux
klans in their hellish work of out-
rage and murder on peaceful citi-
zens than to whip, and scourge, and
rob, and murder men for opinion's
sake!

The *News* seems to be much exer-
cised about Gov. Brogden's appoint-
ment of Commissioners of the West-
ern N. C. R. R. Now, we can as-
sure the *News* that when the Gov-
ernor desires its advice he will ask
for it, and until then he spurns its
assumed dictation as too mean for
pity and too low for contempt.
What has the *News* to do with the
Governor's appointments? Is it his
constitutional adviser? Must the
Governor consult the *News* in order
to know who he must appoint?

Did the President of the Con-
vention consult the Republicans when
he appointed the Committee on
Constitutional Revision? Who did
he place on that important Com-
mittee? Messrs. Reid, Clingman,
Manning, Bennett, Turner, Dur-
ham, Morehead, Shober, McCorkle,
Coleman, Dockery, Albertson, Bar-

ringer and Tourgee. The ten first
named Democrats, and the four last
Republicans.

Here is ten to four on a Commit-
tee in a Convention about equally
divided in politics, and in which
the Republicans would have a ma-
jority if they had justice. And yet
with a fraudulent Democratic ma-
jority in the Convention, and a popu-
lar Republican majority in the
State of more than ten thousand
against the self-styled Democrats,
the *News* has the unblushing effron-
tery to try to dictate to Governor
Brogden. But let it remember that
its dictation will be entirely un-
available.

The Intolerant Democracy!— They Try the Role of "Bully" and il—Republicans WILL have Justice!

Much confusion arose to-day in
the Convention, caused by an in-
tolerant spirit manifested by several
leading Democrats.

By reference to our report of yester-
day, it will be seen that just be-
fore the special order was announc-
ed the ayes and noes had been de-
manded upon the motion of Mr.
Chamberlain to reconsider the vote
by which the resolution recommit-
ting the Robeson county contested
election case was adopted. Mr.
Manning moved to lay this motion
upon the table. While the Clerk was
calling the ayes and noes upon the
motion to table, and just as Mr. Tourgee
had objected to the Robeson outlaws—
McEachin and Sinclair—voting
upon the proposition upon which
he asked a decision from the chair)
the special order was announced,
and hence the Robeson matter and
the objection of Judge Tourgee and
the decision of the chair thereon
were laid over until to-day.

It came up after the "morning
hour." Gen. Barringer obtained
the floor, and while stating a point
of order upon the subject, Cling-
man and Jarvis, and other lesser
Democratic lights, vociferously
bawled out to the Speaker—"An-
nounce the vote!" This was a
gross discourtesy indeed. It was
an attempt to bully and browbeat
the minority, which brought to
their feet Messrs. Badger, Young
and others, who bawled back lustily,
amid the nervous raps of the
Speaker's gavel—"Object!" "Ob-
ject!!" So deafening was the in-
dignant roar from the Republican
side that it brought a sense of jus-
tice—even to Ransom, the President,
—and although "Price, of Davie,"
went around venting his little nar-
row and illiberal ideas among the
"unterrified," he failed to nerve
them up, and they acceded to Mr.
Barringer and Mr. Tourgee, both of
whom had been seated peremptorily
and discourteously by the President,
the "simple boon" of a respectful
hearing.

Amid the confusion, Mr. Young
took the floor and talked some plain
talk to the "unterrified," and broke
up their little game of "Bullying,"
by sending some hot shot into their
ranks.

RELIGIOUS.—The Right Rev. J.
T. Holly, Protestant Episcopal
Bishop of Haiti, W. I., will preach
in St. Augustine Chapel in this
city next Sunday. He visits Raleigh
for the purpose of placing his two
sons and another Haitian youth in
the St. Augustine Normal school.

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STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, Sept. 30.

At 10 a. m. Mr. President Ran-
som called the Convention to order.
Prayer by Rev. John Smedes, of
the city.

Journal of yesterday read and ap-
proved.

Mr. French presented a petition
from ladies of Wilmington, Fay-
etteville and surrounding towns for
the Convention to make laws to put
down the sale of liquor.

On motion of Mr. Tourgee, the
petition was rejected on account of
not being signed.

Mr. Manning, of New Hanover,
submitted a report from the com-
mittee on amendments.

Mr. French again offered the pe-
tition from the ladies of Wilming-
ton in regard to the sale of liquor,
saying that the objection to it, on
account of being anonymous, was
removed as he and the delegate
from Henderson, Mr. Woodfin, had
signed it in behalf of the ladies.
The petition was received and ap-
propriately referred.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Reid, from the Committee on
Revision; Mr. Roberts, of Gates,
from the Committee on Enrolled
Bills; Mr. Shepherd, from the
Committee on Municipal Corpora-
tions; Mr. Durham, from the Com-
mittee on Revenue, Taxation, &c.;
and Mr. Shober, from the Commit-
tee on Suffrage, &c., submitted re-
ports.

On motion of Mr. Durham, Dem.,
the rules were suspended and the
various ordinances in relation to
special tax bonds made the special
order for Saturday next at 11 a. m.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Holton, Rep.: An ordi-
nance to submit the question of the
pardon of W. W. Holden to the
people of the State at the election
upon the amendments of the Con-
stitution adopted by this Con-
vention. Referred.

By Mr. Vaughan, Dem.: An ordi-
nance to amend sec. 9, art. 2. Re-
ferred. (This ordinance makes age
for Senator 21 instead of 25.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The bill to reduce the number of
State Senators to 25.

The question recurred upon Mr.
Barringer's substitute, making the
number twenty-four, elected for six
years, one-third to go out every two
years.

Mr. Avery, Dem., moved to re-
commit the whole to the Commit-
tee on the Legislative Department,
and on that motion called the yeas
and nays.

The yeas and nays were called
and the call for the previous ques-
tion was sustained by a vote of
yeas 57, nays 55.

The question then recurred on the
motion to recommit, and it prevailed
by a vote of yeas 58, nays 51.

The announcement of the vote
taken yesterday on the motion to
lay on the table Mr. Chamberlain's
motion to reconsider Mr. Jarvis'
resolution recommitting the Robe-
son county case to the Committee
on Privileges and Elections was an-
nounced as the next thing in order.

Mr. Tourgee said that he raised
the same objection which he did on
yesterday, to-wit: that Messrs. Mc-
Eachin and Sinclair had no right
to vote, and asked a decision of the
chair.

The chair said that he had al-
ready decided some four or five
times and would reiterate the de-
cision of the chair.

The Chair ruled that it was not
the proper time for an appeal and
that the vote must be announced,

and was about to so announce it
when "object!" "object!" "object!"
came from the Republican side.

Mr. Tourgee withdrew his appeal
and the Chair announced the vote
as standing ayes 59, noes 57, so the
motion to table the motion to recon-
sider the vote by which Mr. Jarvis'
resolution recommitting the Robe-
son county matter was adopted *passed*
on the table.

Mr. Tourgee moved that the bal-
lot be verified by expunging the
names of Messrs. McEachin and
Sinclair.

A long debate arose, and at sev-
eral times a number of delegates
were speaking at once.

Mr. Manning, of Chatham, Dem.,
demanded the previous question.

The yeas and nays were called
and the call was sustained by a vote
of yeas 56, nays 52.

The question recurred upon the
motion of Mr. Tourgee, to disallow
the votes of Messrs. McEachin and
Sinclair, and on the demand of Mr.
Justice the yeas and nays were
called.

During the ballot Mr. Badger,
Rep., objected to the votes of
Messrs. McEachin and Sinclair.

The chair ruled that the objection
could not be made during the call
of the roll and not until the an-
nouncement of the vote.

Mr. Tourgee's motion was re-
jected by a vote of yeas 54, noes 56.

Mr. Chamberlain, Rep., from the
minority of the Committee on
Privileges and Elections, presented
a protest against the action of the
Convention in recommitting the
Robeson county contested election
case. The protest was ordered to
be spread on the Journal.

The following is the protest:

We, the undersigned members of
the Committee on Privileges and
Elections, representing the minor-
ity report on the Robeson county
contested case, do hereby enter our
solemn protest against the action of
the Convention on the 28th day of
September, 1875, in the recommit-
tal of the above mentioned case,
with all the papers therewith con-
nected, on the following grounds,
to-wit:

1st. Under art. 1, sec. 5, of the
Constitution of the United States,
(the supreme law of the land,) a
majority of the members of each
house shall constitute a quorum,
and said quorum is essential to the
transaction of any and all business.
And, hence, said action of this Con-
vention, on yesterday, in the ab-
sence of a quorum, is unconstitu-
tional, revolutionary and void.

2d. Such action is unprecedented
in the history of all parliamentary
bodies, under our system of govern-
ment or elsewhere, so far as your
committee is informed.

J. L. CHAMBERLAIN,
J. W. BOWMAN,
ALLEN JORDAN.

By Mr. Boyd, Rep.: An ordi-
nance to amend article 4 of the Con-
stitution; provides that the Gen-
eral Assembly shall levy no tax to
pay any part of the Public Debt,
until the act levying the same shall
have been ratified by the people.

The rules were suspended and the
ordinance was made special order
for Saturday, at 11:10 a. m.

On motion, the Convention ad-
journed until to-morrow at 10 a. m.

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