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STATE LEGISLATURE.

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Mr. Alexander presented the petition of H. Forbes of Mecklenburg, praying to be placed on the pension list. The former petition was referred to the committee of Propositions and Grievances, and the latter to the committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Allison, the Judiciary committee were instructed to enquire into the expediency of making some provision more effectually to suppress fraud in the execution of deeds of trust.

Mr. Spruill, from the committee of Claims, reported against the claim of Christian Bottles, of Burke; and also against the petition of Felix Walker, both of which reports were concurred with.

The resignation of Brig. General W. L. Hill, of the 3d brigade and 6th division, was read and accepted; and on motion of Mr. Burns, a message was sent to the Senate, proposing to ballot for an officer to fill the vacancy. Stephen Miller and Mont. W. Campbell were nominated.

The following bills were presented: By Mr. Poor, to appoint commissioners to run and establish the dividing line between the counties of Burke and Lincoln; and a bill to amend an act passed in 1784, fixing the time of paying the purchase-money on entries of land;

By Mr. Swain, to alter the boundary line between the 1st and 2d regiments of Buncombe militia;

By Mr. Hardy, to regulate the hire of slaves;

By Mr. Howell, to repeal an act for the better regulation of the town of Lumberton, passed in 1824; and

By Mr. Cooper, for the better regulation of the County Courts of Martin county.—These bills severally passed the first reading.

A message from the Senate, informed the House they had passed the following bills:

To alter the names and legitimate Margaret Kennedy and others of Granville; further to amend an act making the protest of a Notary Public evidence in certain cases; to secure to Rebecca Ruffin, of Halifax, such property as she may hereafter acquire; to repeal part of the 3d section of an act to extend the jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace passed in 1820; and a Resolution permitting A. D. Murphey to have the use of the books in the public Library—all which passed their first reading, and the resolution requiring but one reading, was ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate also informed the House, that they had passed the bill appointing commissioners to erect a building in the town of Lincolnton for the use of the Jurors, and rejected that for laying off a road in Lincoln county.

The bill authorising the President and Directors of the Literary Fund to raise money by way of Lottery, passed its second reading.

The House went into a committee of the whole (Mr. Scott in the chair) on the bill for making a digest of our Statutes, &c. Mr. Swain spoke at considerable length in support of the measure, and Mr. Fisher against it. In the course of Mr. Swain's remarks, he said, in reply to some objections which had been made to the expense which would be incurred by passing the bill, "poor degraded North-Carolina, is she not able to bear the expense of a more perfect digest of her laws than she has at present?"

On which Mr. Fisher remarked, that it had become fashionable of late to speak of North-Carolina as a degraded State, and as unequal in every respect to her sister States. He did not like to hear his native State thus represented; he was proud of being a citizen of North-Carolina, and considered her as respectable as any of her sisters, and said it was, "an ill bird that bewrays its own nest."

This remark called up Mr. Potter who said, that he considered North-Carolina a degraded State, and so far from being proud of being one of her citizens, he was ashamed of it, and proceeded to make other severe remarks which Mr. Fisher considered as reflecting on him, and called Mr. P. to order, and demanded whether the Gentleman from Halifax meant to apply what he had said to him. Mr. P. replied he meant them to apply to those whom they fitted. Other words passed, when Mr. A. Moore called both gentlemen to order. The committee rose, and the bill was ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for altering the time of meeting of the General Assembly was taken up, when a motion was made to strike out the 2d Monday in December, which succeeding, it was moved to fill the blank with the 1st Monday in November. This motion was negatived; as was also the 1st Mon-

day and the last Monday in December. It was at length filled with the 3d Monday in November, the former period of meeting.

Thursday, January 25.

Mr. Alexander presented the petition of Robert Robinson, Jesse Clark, Benjamin Lindsay, Henry Houston and John Connelly, praying to be placed on the pension list.

The Governor enclosed to the Legislature, a claim of Jonas R. Clark for the value of a horse which he lost in the service of the state at the reception of Gen. La Fayette. Both the above claims were referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Settle, from the Committee on Proposition and Grievances, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens, praying that Willis Bradley be restored to credit, reported favorably, with a bill to carry the prayer of the petitioners into effect, which passed its three readings.

Mr. S. also reported on the application of Hiram Miller, for the same purpose, and the report was concurred with.

Mr. R. H. Jones, from the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred a resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of Testamentary Guardians giving security where it shall appear to the County Court that they are insolvent, and are likely to waste and squander the property of their wards, reported that it was inexpedient to vary the existing law as proposed; but recommended that the bill accompanying this report, entitled a bill concerning Testamentary Guardians, be passed into a law. It passed its first reading.

The resignation of the Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, and Major of the Militia of Buncombe, was read and accepted. The following bills were presented: By Mr. Kerr, to repeal an act of 1824, to regulate patrols so far as its respects New-Hanover.

By Mr. Cox, to appoint Commissioners for the town of Kinston in Lenoir.

By Mr. Bain, for the better distribution of the estates of intestates.

By Mr. Donoho, directing the continuance of the Geological and Mineralogical survey of the state.

By Mr. Edmonson, to render valid certain official acts of Elith Chambers of Haywood county.

By Mr. Whitaker, to authorise Wm. Boylan, of Wake county, to erect a bridge across Deep river.

By Mr. J. A. Hill, to amend an act passed in 1806, for the more convenient & uniform administration of justice; [proposing an additional circuit,] all which bills passed their first reading, and the last named was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following bills passed their third reading:

To explain an act passed in 1822, to authorise county courts to require administrators and others to give other or counter security, on petition of their securities; to incorporate the Franklin Library Society of Buffalo, in Lincoln county; to establish and regulate a Turnpike road in Haywood county; to incorporate the Newbern Marine and Fire Insurance Company; to establish Batchelor's Academy in the county of Martin; and a resolution in favor of Elizabeth Reaves.

Mr. Settle, from the Committee on Proposition and Grievances, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens, of Northampton county, praying for an act to establish a town at the court house, reported a bill for the purpose, which passed its three readings.

The resolution in favor of Green B. Palmer, passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the House proceeded to the consideration of the bill for the increase of the capital stock of the Clubfoot and Harlow's Creek Canal. [Proposes that the Public Treasurer shall subscribe for \$12000 additional stock in this Company.]

Mr. Fisher moved to amend the bill, so as to authorise the Treasurer to loan this amount, instead of subscribing it, to the Company, to be repaid one half in ten and the other half twenty years.

After some considerable debate, this amendment was agreed to, and the bill passed its first reading.

The engrossed bill to alter the time of the Legislature was taken up: when

Mr. Alexander moved to strike out the 3d Monday in November, for the purpose of reinstating the second Monday in December, as the bill came from the Senate, but the motion was negatived, 70 votes to 51.

The bill was then ordered to be sent to the Senate for their concurrence in this amendment to their bill. If the two Houses do not agree the bill will be lost, and the next Legislature will of course meet on the 2d Monday in January, as fixed by the act of last session.

Friday, Jan. 26.

After the Journal was read this morning, Mr. R. H. Jones rose, and announced to the House the death of Mr. Leonard Martin, one of the members from Hertford County. He had no doubt this sudden and afflicting occurrence would deeply affect the whole House. As expressive of these feelings, he submitted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House is impressed with feelings of unfeigned grief for the death of our late fellow Member, LEONARD MARTIN, Esq. one of the Representatives for the County of Hertford; and they will this evening at 3 o'clock attend his funeral obsequies.

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House communicate the afflicting intelligence of the death of our fellow-member to the Senate, and respectfully invite the joining of that body in the Funeral Procession.

Resolved, That this House, in token of respect for the deceased, abstain from business during this day; and that the Members thereof wear Crape on the left arm for the space of 30 days.

Resolved, That a Committee of six Members of this House be appointed to superintend and make arrangements for the Funeral.

Resolved, That the Funeral of our deceased Brother Member be at the public charge; and that the Chairman of the Committee draw on the Public Treasurer for the expenses thereof, which shall be allowed him in the settlement of his accounts.

These Resolutions being unanimously agreed to, six gentlemen were named by the Speaker as the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the House adjourned for half an hour, for the purpose of allowing the Committee time to prepare their Report. At the expiration of which time,

Mr. R. H. Jones reported the order of the Funeral Procession, &c. which being agreed to, the House adjourned. For further particulars, we refer to the Raleigh head.

Saturday, Jan. 27.

Mr. Spruill, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of John B. Ogg, praying for the payment of certain certificates, reported unfavourably to the petitioner, and recommended the rejection of the petition, which report was concurred with.

Mr. S. recommended the passage of a resolution referred to that committee in favour of Mr. Welsh. The report was concurred with, and the resolution passed its first reading.

Mr. R. H. Jones, from the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relative to the Constables, as to allow a certain percent on all executions collected and accounted for by them, reported it to be the opinion of the committee that no alteration in the laws in this respect is necessary. Report concurred with.

Mr. J. also reported unfavourably on a resolution referred to the same committee, instructing them to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law concerning executors and administrators as to prevent executions under any circumstances from being levied on the personal estate of a testator or intestate, until an executor or administrator shall have had reasonable time to obtain an order of sale on said property, and to collect the money under said sale. The committee deemed it inexpedient at present to make any alteration in the laws in this respect. The report was concurred with.

Mr. W. W. Jones presented a bill to make an appropriation to improve the navigation of Cape Fear below Wilmington.

Mr. A. Moore, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred the memorial of sundry citizens of Mattamuskeet Lake, made a favorable report, accompanied by a bill for the purpose of draining the low lands in the neighborhood of Mattamuskeet Lake, which passed its first reading.

The bill giving to the State the right of challenge was read the second time; but a considerable difference of opinion appearing on the propriety of passing the bill, and some members desiring time to think on the subject, the bill, on motion, was ordered to lie on the table, and was made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

Raleigh Register.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1827.

By reference to the proceedings of the General Assembly, our readers will see, with concern, that those proceedings were arrested on Friday last by the sudden death of Mr. Leonard Martin, one of the Members from Hertford County, and the Solicitor of the State for the Edenton District.

On Wednesday, Mr. Martin was in his seat in the House of Commons, apparently in his usual health, and spent the evening with some of his friends. Next morning, he complained of being unwell, and about 4 o'clock in the afternoon he was a corpse! He went off, we believe, in a fit of apoplexy.

His remains were interred on Friday evening, with all the funeral honors which are paid to Members of Legislative Bodies who die while attending their public duty. To which were added the ceremonies of Freemasonry, the deceased being a member of that fraternity. The following was the order of the procession:

1. Doorkeepers of the two Houses.
2. Reverend Clergy.
3. Physicians who attended the Deceased.
4. The CORPSE, attended by six Pall-bearers.
5. Masonic Body.
6. His Excellency the Governor, the Judges of the Supreme Court, and the Heads of Departments.

7. Counsellors of Law, not Members of the Legislature.
8. Speakers of the Senate and House of Commons.
9. Members of the House of Commons and their Clerks.
10. Members of the Senate and their Clerks.
11. Citizens.

The Rev. Mr. Charlton preached the Funeral Discourse, which was very impressive, to a very crowded audience in the Methodist Church, from Luke xvi. 2—"Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward."

Mr. Stephen Birdsall acted as Marshall.

The Supreme Court, now in session, have expressed their feelings on account of the death of Mr. Martin, not only in the following respectful Resolution, but by declining to do any business on the day of his Funeral:

SUPREME COURT ROOM, 2 January 26, 1827.

At a meeting of the Judges of the Supreme Court, and of the gentlemen of the bar in attendance on it, CAROL JUSTICE TAYLOR was requested to take the Chair, and Thomas P. Devereux, Esq. was appointed Secretary of the meeting. The following resolution was moved by Mr. Gaston, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That as a testimony of our respect for the memory of Leonard Martin, Esq. and in manifestation of our grief for the melancholy event by which we have been deprived of an esteemed associate, and the State of one of its most benevolent and useful citizens, we will attend the funeral of the deceased, and wear crape on our left arms for thirty days.

Ordered, that the foregoing resolution be published in the newspapers of this City.

JOHN LOUIS TAYLOR.

T. P. DEVEREUX, Secy.

The resolution submitted by Mr. Branch in the Senate of the United States, on the 22d instant, in relation to an inquiry into the expediency of extinguishing the Indian title to the remaining Indian lands in this State, was, on the following day, agreed to.

Capt. Bache of the Topographical Engineers, and Lieuts. Boyce and Wragg have arrived in Wilmington, for the purpose, as we are informed, of surveying the River from Wilmington to its mouth.

The Mobile Register of the 11th inst. says, the Hon. John Williams, our Minister to Central America, is arrived in that city from Pensacola. Mr. W. left Guatemala on the 2d of December. We learn that the political affairs of that country are in a very unsettled state. Mr. W. is on his way to his residence in Tennessee.

Henry Crabb, Esq. late U. States Attorney for West-Tennessee, is appointed by the Governor, Judge of the Supreme Court, in the place of John Haywood, deceased.

Convention in Virginia.—The bill in the Virginia House of Delegates, for taking the sense of the people of that State, on the expediency of holding a Convention, passed to a third reading on the 25d inst. 105 votes to 99.

Col. Benton, from Missouri, is re-elected Senator of the U. States for the next six years.

From Delaware, we learn that Louis M'Lane, (now, and for several years past, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, in the House of Representatives,) and Henry M. Ridgely, (formerly a Representative in Congress,) have been chosen Senators of the United States, from that state.

Georgia Surveyors stopped.—Mr. Byne of Burke county, who was delegated to survey the 13th District, of the county of Carroll, according to the boundaries of the Old Treaty, lying west of the New Treaty Line and the Chattahoochee river, has returned to this place, having had his Compass taken from him on the 7th inst. by a party of Indians. Their names and Commission being demanded, the Principal of the party produced a written Caveat, signed by the Little Prince, now Chief of the Creek Nation, requesting and demanding that the Georgia Surveyors transgress not the New Treaty Line as established at Washington.

The Governor, we understand, not wishing to resort to force if it can be avoided, has despatched one of his staff to confer with the Little Prince of the Creek Nation. Should this Chief persist in resisting the survey, the Hancock Cavalry are held in readiness to protect the Surveyors while they are engaging in completing their work.

Supreme Court.—Since our last, the following young gentlemen have obtained licenses to practise law, viz: John W. Norwood, of Orange, in the Superior Courts; and Ralph Gorrel and Alfred E. Hanner, of Guilford, in the County Courts.

NINETEENTH CONGRESS. SECOND SESSION. SENATE. JANUARY 20. The Senate did not sit to-day. JANUARY 22.

Mr. Johnson, of Louisiana, from the Committee of Commerce, made a report accompanied by a bill to regulate the commercial intercourse between the United States and the Colonies of Great Britain.

The object of the bill is to prevent the admission of any vessels into the ports of the United States after the 30th of September next, from the colonies and possessions of Great-Britain, (including all by name except Upper Canada) with a provision for the suspension of the act in case the British Colonies and possessions shall open their ports to vessels of the United States. 3,000 copies of the report and bill were ordered to be printed.

The bill from the House of Representatives, making an appropriation of \$20,000 for the relief of the sufferers by the fire in Alexandria, was twice read by general consent.

TUESDAY, JAN. 23.

Mr. Henry M. Ridgely, from Delaware, appeared and took his seat, in the place of the late Nicholas Van Dyke.

The bill for the relief of the indigent sufferers of the late fire at Alexandria, was taken up and passed its third reading, 27 votes to 17. Mr. Branch voted for it, Mr. Macon against it.

Mr. Hendricks, from the committee on Roads and Canals, to which was referred the subject of a Canal to unite the waters of the Wabash and Lake Erie, made a report in favor of the project, with a bill to carry it into effect, which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. Branch submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to enquire into the expediency of appropriating a sum of money for the purpose of extinguishing the Indian title to lands within the limits of North-Carolina.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the Bankrupt Bill. The motion of Mr. Branch to strike out the 93d section of the bill (embracing the provision for the voluntary bankruptcy of classes other than merchants and traders) still pending. Messrs. Branch and Van Buren spoke in favor of the motion, and Messrs. Howan, Holmes and Johnson against it. No question was taken.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JAN. 22.

Mr. Tomlinson, from the Committee of Commerce, made a similar Report, and introduced a similar bill to regulate the commercial intercourse between the U. States and the Colonies of Great Britain.

The bill was twice read and committed. Mr. Wickliffe brought in a bill to regulate the Supreme Court. [Provides that in all causes in which the validity of any state law is in question, the judges shall deliver their opinions seriatim, that it shall require the opinion of five out of the seven judges to invalidate any such law.]

JAN. 23.

Mr. Letcher, from the Judiciary Committee reported a bill to divide the district of Kentucky into two districts.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton, it was resolved that the Library Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of purchasing for the use of the Congress Library, such Paintings, Prints and Maps, belonging to the late Thomas Jefferson, as his representatives may desire to sell.

The House went into a Committee of the Whole on the bill for the relief of the Revolutionary Officers.

Mr. Condit said, he had prepared a modification of the bill in that part of the bill which relates to officers, finding it would not pass in its present shape. After some time the Committee rose, had leave to sit again and the amendment was ordered to be printed.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill in relation to laying an additional duty on imported Woolens, after considerable debate, the House adjourned without taking any question.

MARRIED.

In this County, on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Sison Smith, Mr. William Avera to Miss Nancy Hayes, all of this County.

In Fayetteville, Mr. Owen Hustin to Miss Sarah Fletcher.

At Adamsville, S. C. on the evening of the 19th inst. Dr. John Malloy, of Richmond county, to Miss Harriett D. third daughter of the late Shockey Adams, Esq.

In Richmond county, on the 12th inst. Mr. Duncan M'Comick, jr. to Miss Ailla M'Nair.

In the same county on the 14th inst. Mr. Daniel Sneed to Miss Martha Webb.

DIED.

At his residence, in Sampson county, on the 15th inst. Mr. Henry Paison, aged 47 years.—He had been severely afflicted for seven months previous to his death, which he bore with becoming fortitude. In the death of this man, society has lost a useful and industrious citizen. He was an affectionate husband, a kind and indulgent parent, and a good neighbour.

In Warren county, on the 20th inst. Mr. John Chicker, in the 77th year of his age. He was a Soldier of the Revolution, and a highly respected citizen.

In Pitt county, on the 23d inst. Mr. William Gray, a truly honorable and respectable citizen.

At Aversborough, lately, and much regretted by her family and friends, Mrs. Smith, wife of William Smith, Esq. of that place.

On the 31st ult. in Guilford County, Abigail Caroline, daughter of Nathaniel Hunt, Jun. At his father's residence, in Richmond county, on Saturday the 16th inst. Mr. Daniel A. Campbell, eldest son of Robert Campbell, Esq. Mr. C. was a young man of promising talents, and for some time previous to his death, was preparing himself for the Gospel Ministry.

In Bertie county, on the 17th inst. in the 32d year of her age, Mrs. Judson Cunningham, wife of Capt. James Cunningham. The deceased was an amiable woman and was much esteemed by those who knew her intimately. She has left a husband and sister to mourn her irreparable loss.