

N. Carolina General Assembly

SENATE.

Thursday, Jan. 4.—Mr. King presented sundry resolutions on the subject of deeds for the conveyance of land, deeds of trust, mortgages and bills of sale.

Mr. Gray presented the memorial of a Manumission Society of this State, praying that a law be passed to prohibit the introduction of slaves into this State.

A select joint committee was appointed on that part of the Governor's message which relates to the amendment of the Constitution of the U. S. and the resolutions therein referred to.

Mr. Hill of Franklin presented a bill for the relief of securities & endorsers in certain cases.

On *Friday*, the bill to establish New Hope Academy in Edgecomb county, and the bill to incorporate Roanoke Chapter No. 4. in Halifax, were read the third time and ordered to be enrolled.

The bill to authorize the Trustees of New Hope Academy, in Anson county, to raise \$5000 by way of Lottery, was considered—when Mr. Seawell submitted a resolution, instructing the committee on Education to inquire into the expediency of raising by Lottery, the sum of \$630,000, to be distributed, \$10,000 to each county; which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Forney, it was resolved, that a joint select committee be appointed to present a memorial to Congress, to extinguish the Indian title to all the lands belonging to this State, within the limits of the Cherokee Nation.

On *Saturday*, Mr. Pickett reported a bill to amend the emancipation laws.

Mr. Hill of Franklin, from the committee appointed to conduct the balloting for a Public Printer, reported that Lawrence & Lemay were duly elected. The Senate did not concur with the report, because "137 ballots were given when there were but 135 voters;" a second ballot was had, when it appeared that Lawrence & Lemay were elected, having received 102 votes; Jos. Gales & Son, 31; and 3 scattering.

On *Monday*, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law respecting executors and administrators, as to make their settlements with the Court final, at some limited time after the heirs come to mature age.

Mr. Beard, of Rowan presented a bill to establish a Medical Society, and to regulate the practice of physic and surgery within this State.

On *Tuesday*, the two houses proceeded to ballot for two Judges of the Superior Courts, to supply the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Judge Nash, & the death of Judge Paxton—when ROBERT STRANGE, of Fayetteville, was elected. The votes were as follows: R. Strange, 100; Willie P. Mangum, 75; James Martin, 53; Joseph Pickett, 45; Thos. P. Devereux, 39; R. H. Burton, 38; Blank, 23; Scattering 4. The next day, two ballotings took place for the other Judge, which resulted in

the election of JAMES MARTIN, of Rowan County; who received, on the second balloting, 102 votes; W. P. Mangum receiving 84 votes.

The Senate entered upon the orders of the day, and resolved itself into a committee of the Whole, Mr. Wilson of Edgecombe in the Chair, on the bill giving to the people the election of Sheriffs; and, after about two hours spent therein, the committee rose and reported the bill with an amendment to strike out the first section. On the question to concur with the report of the committee, the yeas and nays being equal—31 to 31—the Speaker gave his casting vote in the affirmative. On motion of Mr. Speight, of Greene, the bill was then postponed indefinitely.

On *Wednesday*, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law, compelling the owners of slaves to pay the burial charges, when a jury of inquest have been held over their bodies.

Mr. Boddie presented a bill to incorporate the Nashville Male and Female Academies.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Thursday, Jan. 4.—Mr. Morehead presented a bill to emancipate slaves on certain conditions.

On *Friday*, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to enquire into the propriety of amending the existing laws relative to petty and malicious indictments, so as to compel the prosecutor to give bond and security for the payment of the costs of such indictments, and to oblige him in all cases to pay the costs which may accrue thereon, unless he sustain the same.

Mr. Scott presented the memorial of A. D. Murphey, stating, that in consequence of the lottery granted him at the last Session being restricted to three drawings, and the sum authorised to be raised so small, he was unable to dispose of the scheme to individuals who deal in that kind of adventure, and praying that the Legislature will authorise him to raise a larger sum, and that no restrictions may be imposed on the number of drawings. Referred to a select committee.

A resolution, proposing the appointment of a joint committee, to prepare a memorial to Congress, praying for an extinction of the remaining Indian title to lands in this State, was laid on the table.

The bill respecting the granting of licenses to students of law under age was rejected—81 to 39.

On *Saturday*, the Judiciary committee were instructed to inquire into the expediency of compelling Sheriffs and constables to return warrants in the district in which the defendant lives.

The same committee were also instructed to enquire into the propriety of passing a law directing the Clerks and Masters in Equity to collect and sell the personal estate of such persons as die intestate, or leaving last wills and testaments, to which no executor or administrator with the will annexed, qualifies after the terms of courts of pleas and quarter sessions of the county where the deceased last resided, have elapsed; and of providing by law the mode

to be pursued by creditors and others to recover the effects of such deceased persons.

The bill to amend the revenue act by taxing gates at race courses, was on motion of Mr. Wyche, postponed indefinitely—66 to 52.

On *Monday*, the Judiciary committee were instructed to enquire into the expediency of allowing Sheriffs, in all cases of indictment for assault and battery, to receive, as a discharge from persons in indigent circumstances ordered into their custody, bond and security for the fine and costs, payable at the ensuing term.

Mr. Sharp presented a bill to legitimatise certain persons therein named.

On *Tuesday*, Mr. Edwards presented a bill to alter the time of holding the elections in Greene county.

On *Wednesday*, the Judiciary committee were instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relative to Constables, as to allow them a certain per centum on all executions collected and accounted for by them.

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SENATE.

Tuesday, Jan. 2.—The Hon. NATHANIEL MACON was elected President pro tempore of the Senate on the first ballot, having received 24 votes out of 46, the whole number given in.

The Senate passed the whole of the sitting in the consideration of various verbal amendments proposed to the Bankrupt bill.

On *Wednesday*, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to abolish imprisonment for debt. Various amendments were proposed and agreed to, when the bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed.

On *Thursday* and *Friday*, the Senate were wholly engaged in private, local and executive business.

On *Monday*, the Senate spent the greater portion of the sitting in conclave—the business transacted with open doors was unimportant.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, Jan. 2.—Mr. McLean presented a memorial, suggesting that under the patronage of the U. States, an expedition should be fitted out without delay, and proceed to acquire a more perfect knowledge of the northern parts of our continent, or, if possible, to enter the more interesting and extensive field for enterprise in the Southern hemisphere.

Mr. Webster reported a bill for the establishment of a uniform system of Bankruptcy.

Mr. Livingston submitted a resolution, making an appropriation of \$50,000, to be expended, under the direction of the President, in the purchase and transportation of provisions, for the suffering inhabitants of Greece.

Mr. Hamilton, of S. C. presented a resolution, refunding, with lawful interest, to the parties or their legal representatives, the fines collected under the Sedition law of 1793.

On *Wednesday*, a communica-

tion was received from the War Department, relative to the removal of the Indian tribes to the western side of the Mississippi; also, reports from the Chief Engineer, and from the Navy and Post-Office Departments.

On *Thursday*, Mr. Little reported a bill, fixing the ratio of representation in Congress, after the 3d March, 1833, at one representative for every 60,000 inhabitants.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Treasury Department, transmitting an estimate of the appropriations proposed for the service of the year 1827, amounting to \$10,283,929; as follows:

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| Civil List, | \$1,263,244 |
| Miscellaneous, | 302,153 |
| Foreign intercourse, | 261,000 |
| Expences of the Army, including Military Academy, | 2,081,255 |
| Fortifications, Armories, Arsenal, Ordinance, &c. | 1,171,400 |
| Revolutionary and Military Pensions, | 1,571,210 |
| Indian Department, | 181,225 |
| Arrearages, | 20,000 |
| Internal Improvements, | 202,000 |
| Naval Establishment, including Marine Corps, | 2,230,400 |

On *Friday*, Mr. Storrs reported a bill supplementary to an act entitled "an act to provide for the gradual increase of the Navy."

The bill for the relief of the surviving Officers of the Revolution, was considered & amended.

On *Saturday*, the Committee on Ways and means was instructed to enquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to increase the salary of the Postmaster General.

A resolution, instructing the same committee to enquire into the expediency of reducing the duties on Wines, Teas, Coffee, and Salt, was laid on the table. [The vote on this resolution is considered conclusive that the House is wholly indisposed to disturb the existing rates of duties.]

The House refused by a large majority to consider a resolution, making an appropriation for the transportation of such Free people of color as may wish to be sent to the colony at Liberia.

On *Monday*, several memorials and petitions were presented praying for the abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia.

United States' Army.—It appears from official documents from the War Department, that the Army in Nov. 1826, amounted in the aggregate to 5,000 officers and privates. The Militia of the U. S. in 1825, amounted to one million, one hundred and three thousand, eight hundred and seventy-eight. Thirty thousand stand of arms were appropriated to the militia in 1824, and 1825, under the law of 1803 for arming and equipping the whole body of the militia.

N. Y. Ev. Post.

Relations with Mexico.—The Secretary of State has informed Congress that the boundary between this country and Mexico and the restoration of slaves who have escaped from Louisiana to that Republic, have been the subjects of negotiation with her, and that a treaty embracing one of them has been concluded.

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