

Constitutional Convention of North-Carolina,

Raleigh, ^{of either} 1868.

known to our grandmothers, and that the same shall be held inviolate and unamendable forever - and that it shall be made high treason punishable with banishment, for any one to express a contrary opinion in the limits of the State. And

Resolved - That as the "Lamented Gaston", was one of the most remarkable, indefatigable and notorious innovators who has ever dared to disturb the ancient dust upon the shield of that hide bound, venerable Kip ven Winkle, North Carolina, ~~that~~ therefore, the mention of his name and that of Morehead, Jeff Davis, George Washington Patrick Henry and all other innovators shall be out of order and a proper subject for referendum -

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Whereas: The customs habits and laws of the
good old times, of our forefathers, in the
dim and shadowy days of yore, before innova-
tion had thrust its hideous visage upon the
ken of man, are better than any others which
the skill and wisdom of these degenerate days
can frame and

Whereas- It is apparent that there are certain
members of this Convention who are guilty of
believing and advocating the wicked and dan-
gerous dogmas; that there is wisdom in the present
as well as in the past; that Change is not al-
ways an irremediable evil; that there is such
a thing as positive progress in government
law and physics which may be beneficent
and wise in ^{its} effects upon the people; that a
material prosperity which will elevate the
laboring man, give him better food, and
more of it, better clothing, better houses and
that very dangerous thing a little learn-
ing, is not entirely subversive of all that

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That is good and desirable; that the Rail-
road, the telegraph, the steam engine, the
spinning jenny, and other inventions of
those later days, are not wholly and entire-
ly the agencies by which the devil makes
a "longer, stronger pull", and whereas such
men and such opinions are eminently mis-
chievous in their intents and influences, and
were so held by our grandmothers and their
forebears, time beyond memory, Therefore
Resolved - That any member of this Convention who
~~shall~~ in Convention assembled, or in private
converse, shall give utterance to any such he-
retical and dangerous doctrine shall be ex-
pelled from the same by vote of the Convention -
and deprived of all pay and allowances -
Resolved - That the safest wisest and best and
easiest plan of proceeding on the part of
this Convention is to go as far back, as possi-
ble and take up ~~and~~ and adopt the old-
est Constitution of Government, which was

Sarcasts
Resolution
on Pedicels

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