

of providing for the passage of such laws by the legislature as may be necessary and proper for the settlement of differences by arbitration, when parties prefer that mode of trial.

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Tuck, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That His Excellency, the Governor, be requested to furnish the Convention with a list of civil offices of Executive appointment, specifying the number of appointees to each class of offices.

Mr. Miller, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary Department, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of inserting a provision in the constitution declaring a verdict of damages, rendered by a jury in all courts of original jurisdiction, final and conclusive, unless legal cause other than that of excessive damages be shown for setting aside such verdict.

Mr. Shriver, submitted the following orders:

Ordered, That the Secretary to this Convention, request the Register of the city of Baltimore, the Clerks of the Commissioners of the Tax, and of the Levy Courts of the several counties of this State and Howard district, to furnish to this Convention statements of all fees and perquisites allowed or paid to the Attorney General and his Deputies, by their respective counties, Howard district, and the city of Baltimore, from the first of January 1838, to the present time.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the State, be requested to furnish to this Convention a statement of all allowances and commissions made to the Attorney General and his Deputies, since the year 1837, and not heretofore reported to this Convention.

Which were severally read and adopted.

Mr. Miller, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That standing committee No. 14, be instructed to inquire into the propriety of reporting a constitutional provision, prohibiting any public authority or chartered corporation from taking possession of, or using private property, for any purpose whatsoever, until the amount of compensation agreed upon, or awarded by jury or otherwise, for the possession and use of such private property, shall have been first paid, or payment tendered to the party entitled to such compensation.

Mr. Weber, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That the committee on the Treasury Department, inquire into the expediency of erecting the office of Comptroller of the Treasury; and into the expediency of electing the Comptroller and Treasurer by the direct vote of the people of the State.

On motion of Mr. Wright, it was

Ordered, That the Executive committee be requested to take