

all necessary expenses

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The Court shall sit every Monday at seven and a half o'clock P.M.

Tenth

Whenever the Executive Committee shall fail to present to the Vice Judge for his approval less than six cases as prescribed by Art. 9. of the Constitution. they shall be fined in the sum of twenty five cents each for each such failure unless caused by reasons satisfactory to the Vice Judge—

Eleventh

Counsel failing to argue the cases assigned them at the appointed time shall be fined seventy five cents each unless prevented by actual sickness or absence from town or by the non-attendance of the regular Judge. or unless he provides a substitute—

Saturday Janry 22nd 1859.

The Association met at the office of
A. B. Hagner Esqr. About. Mef. Claude,
Sellers and Bryan. On motion P. W. Brewer
was appointed Vice Judge pro-tem. and
A. Tillard Smith Secretary.

On motion James J. Franklin, Henry
M. Murray, Oliver Miller, Nicholas Brewer,
Frank. A. Fockett and Alexander B. Hagner,
Esquires, were unanimously declared Judges
for the ensuing year.

The Court then proceeded to ballot for
vice Judge and the votes being counted, it was
found that P. W. Brewer had received three
votes and A. Tillard Smith one vote, whereupon
P. Williams Brewer was declared Vice Judge
for the ensuing month. Mr Brewer accepted,
and made the following appointments. A.
Tillard Smith, Clerk, and D. Mef. Am. G. Ridout,
Hammond. Claude, and Henry Bisquith
Executive Committee.

On motion of Mr Ridout, resolved, That
the Court until further notice, meet at the
office of A. B. Hagner Esqr.

On motion the Clerk was directed to inform the Judges elect, of their election.

The Court then adjourned until Tuesday next 8 o'clock P.M.

Willard Smith. Clerk
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Annapolis January 25th 1857.

The Court met, Just. Mes. Aquith, Brewer, Bryan, Claude, Dresser, Lidout, Fellman & Smith. Vice Judge in the Chair. The proceedings of the last meeting ^{were} read and adopted. The members present then signed the Constitution. The Clerk made a verbal report that he had waited on all the Judges elect except Messrs. Miller & Hagner, and all of those so waited on had accepted. A question, selected by the Executive Committee having been approved of by the Vice Judge, that Officers appointed Monday evening next for the argument thereof, and the following gentlemen as counsel in the cause. Mr. Claude for Plff and Mr. Fellman for Def.^s

On motion of Mr. Dresser counsel in a cause

were authorized to employ assistants in the argument thereof.

On motion of Mr. Smith it was unanimously resolved, That the thanks of this Association be and are hereby tendered to A. B. Wagner Esq. for the privilege of using his office and books.

On motion adjourned.

A. Tillard. Smith. Clk
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Annapolis January 3rd 1859

The Court met. Present. Messrs. Aquith Brewer, Bryan, Claude, Dresser, Kidder, Sellman & Smith. Vice Judge in the chair. The proceedings of last meeting were read and adopted. The Clerk made a verbal report, that he had since the last meeting waited on Messrs. Miller and Wagner and informed them of their election as Judges, and that they had accepted.

Messrs. C. W. Green and Edward C. Gantt having been nominated as members, were voted for, and the ballots being counted by Mr. Sellman, all were found to be unanimously

elated. A question selected by the
Executive Committee having been approved
by the Vice Judge, that officer appointed next
Monday evening for the argument thereof
and the following gentlemen appear
as counsel in the cause, viz Bryan for Plaintiff
Dusser for Defendant.

On motion of

William D. Smith Clerk.

Annapolis Feb 7th 1859.

The Court met. Present. all the members
Vice Judge in the Chair. The proceedings
of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A question selected by the Executive Com-
mittee having been approved by the Vice Judge
that officer appointed next Monday evening for
the argument thereof and the following gentlemen
as counsel in the cause, viz Smith for Plaintiff
and Asquith for Defendant.

This being the regular meeting night for
the election of Vice Judge, the ballots were prepared
and being counted by the teller it was found
that Mr Brewer had received five votes

and Mr. Jellman three votes, whereupon
Mr. Brewer was declared unanimously
elected.

The Vice Judge appointed N. Tillard ^{Smith}
Clerk and Wm. G. Aidout, Hammond
Claude, and Henry Asquith Executive
Committee for the ensuing month.

On motion of Mr. Aidout it was made
the duty of the Vice Judge to appoint counsel
at least two weeks before the argument of
a cause.

Adj'd

N. Tillard Smith Clk

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Annapolis Feb. 14th 1859.

The Court met - present all the members, but
Messrs. Claude & Green. The proceedings of the last
meeting were read and adopted.

One question selected by the Executive Com-
mittee having been approved by the Vice Judge.
He appointed Monday evening next for the
argument thereof and the following gentlemen
as counsel in the cause. Wm. G. Aidout for Plaintiff
and John N. Jellman for Defendant.

^{Now} Hon. Mr. Murray, Judge, delivered an opinion
in the case of Messrs. White, which is filed.
The cause of White vs. Smith was then argued
before Hon. Oliver Miller Judge by Messrs. Smith
& Gantt for Plff and. Asquith for Def.
after which there being no further business
before the Court.

Adjourned

A.illard. Smith Clk
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Annapolis. July. 21st. 1859.

On account of the illness of Hon Nicholas
Pomeroy Judge. the Vice Judge. adjourned the
Court until Monday evening next. 8. o'clk

A.illard. Smith Clk
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Annapolis February 28th 1859

The Court met present all the members but Mr. Gantt. The proceedings of last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Smith, amended by approving the statement of the Vice Judge as to why he did not give a accordance with the order passed on the 7th inst, appoint counsel two weeks prior to the time set for the argument of causes. The reason therein given was that the Executive Committee had not performed their duty as prescribed by the Constitution, Veto Const. Art. 9.

Hon. Oliver Miller, Judge, delivered an opinion in the case of White vs. Smith which is filed. The cause of Jones vs. Brown was then argued before Hon. Nicholas Brewer Judge by Mr. Tidbit for Pff and Mr. Jellman for Defendant.

Two questions selected by the Executive Committee having been approved by the Vice Judge, Monday evening next was appointed for the argument of the one, with Mr. Green for Pff and Mr. Brewer for Dfnd and Monday, Mar 14th for the argument of the other by Mr. Gantt and Mr. Claude.

Mr. Smith offered the following by law.
"Whenever the Executive Committee shall fail
to present to the Vice Judge for his approbation
less than six cases, as prescribed by Art.
viii of the Constitution, they shall be
fined in the sum of twenty five cents
each, for each such failure, unless
caused by reason satisfactory to the Vice
Judge. Mr. Ridout moved to amend by
striking out the word each after the word
cents. Mr. Ainsworth moved so to amend as
to make the fine ten cents each, which
was accepted. Mr. Ridout's amendment
was then rejected and the votes recurring
on Mr. Smith's by law it was rejected. By
ayes and noes as follows. Ayes. Miss Ainsworth
Claude, Ridout and Bryan, Vice. Miss
Judge. Gantt. Gillman of Smith.

Mr. Smith moved to make the fine One
dollar, which was rejected, and various
~~propositions~~
~~amendments~~ offered. by Miss Claude, Ainsworth
and Smith being defeated Mr. Ridout's
proposing ninety nine cents was adopted.

Adjourned

A. Gillard. & Smith
clerk

Annapolis March 7th 1857

The Court met. Present all the members, except. Messrs. Aignith, Bryan Claude and Gantt. The proceedings of last meeting were read and adopted. This being the regular meeting night for the election of Vice Judge, the Association proceeded to an election. Mr. Smith nominated Am. J. Green for and the ballots being counted it was found that Am. J. Green had received five votes and there was one blank, whereupon the Vice Judge declared Mr. Green elected.

The Clerk made a report of the finances of the Association which was adopted and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Smith moved to repeal the By Law adopted at the last meeting imposing a fine of twenty five cents on the Executive Committee for a neglect of duty, which was carried. Mr. Smith then moved that the Executive Committee be fined in the sum of One dollar each for each such neglect or failure, which motion was not adopted.

Mr. Dresser then moved that the
Committee be fined in the sum of twenty
five cents each for each such failure
or neglect which was adopted. Said
By Law as adopted, now ready.

Whenver the Executive Committee
shall fail to present to the Vice Judge
for his approval less than six cases
as prescribed by Art. ninth of the Con-
stitution they shall be fined in the
sum of twenty five cents each for each
such failure unless caused by reasons
satisfactory to the Vice Judge."

Mr. Green, Vice Judge elect made the
following appointments Louis W. Bryan Clerk
vice Smith, and Miss D. Williams Brewer.
John A. Fellman and J. W. Dresser Executive
Committee vice Messrs. Ridgely, Claude & Asquith.

Adjourned
A. Tillard, Smith, Clerk
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Annapolis March 14th 1859

The Court met. Present at the call of the roll the following members: Messrs. Green, D. J., Brewer, Bryan, Claude, Dresser, Gantt, Sellman & Smith.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Hon. Nicholas Brewer, Judge, delivered his opinion in the cause of Jones vs Brown.

The cause of Lee vs Doebaku and Asquim was then argued, before Hon. Frank H. Stockett, Judge, by Mr. Green for Plff. and Mr. Dresser for defendant.

A question selected by the Executive Committee having been accepted by the Vice Judge, Monday, March 28th was appointed for the argument thereof.

and the following gentlemen as counsel in the cause, viz: for Plaintiff and for Defendant. On motion adjourned.

Louis W. Bryan. Ck.

Annapolis March 31st 1859

The Court met. Present at the call of the
roll the following members Messrs. Grand J.
Asquith, Bryan, Claude, Dresser, Gantt
Kidout, & Smith.

The proceedings of the last meeting were
read and adopted.

The case of George White vs The Mayor
Recorder and Aldermen of the City of
Annapolis was argued before Hon. A. B.
Hagner, Judge, by Gantt for Appellant
and Claude for Appellee.

The case of Edward Wilkins vs Thomas
Meicauber having been accepted by the
Vice Judge, Monday, April 4th, was
appointed for the argument thereof and
the following gentlemen as counsel viz:
Mr. Asquith for Appellant and Bryan
for Appellee. On motion the Court ad-
-journed

Louis W. Bryan CLK.

Annapolis March 28th/59

The Court met. Present at the call of the roll the following members: Messrs. Green, F. J. Asquith, Bryan, Gantt, Ridout, & Hillman.

The proceedings of the last meeting read and adopted.

Mr. Ridout offered the following By-law, "Counsel failing to argue the cause assigned them, at the appointed time, shall be fined twenty five cents each, unless prevented by actual sickness, or absence from town, or by the non-attendance of the regular judge." Mr. Asquith moved to amend by adding after the word judge, "or unless he provide a substitute." which was accepted, The vote being taken upon the by-law as amended it was adopted. On account of the absence of Mr. Smith the case of Mary Carroll vs John Stone & wife was postponed until Monday April 4th. On motion the Court adjourned.

L. W. Bryan. Ck.

Annaapolis April 4th / 59

The Court met. Present at the call of the roll the following members: Messrs. Green V. L. Asquith, Brewer, Bryan, Claude, Dresser, Gault & Sellman. The proceedings of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The opinion of Hon. Frank A. Stockell-Judge, in the case of Lee vs Doebaker & Asquith was read by the Vice Judge and ordered to be filed.

The case of Mary Canoll vs John Stone and ^{wife} was argued before Hon James S. Franklin J. by Mr Smith for Plaintiff and Mr Brewer for defendants.

The Treasurer's report for the month of March was accepted and ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr Gault the Association proceeded to elect a Vice Judge for the ensuing month, and the ballots being counted it was found that Mr Green had received five votes and Mr Ridout three votes; whereupon Mr Green was declared elected.

The Vice Judge appointed Louis W. Bryan
Clerk, and Messrs. Sellman, Brewster and
Bresser, Executive Committee.

A question selected by the Executive
Committee having been accepted by the
Vice Judge Monday April 18th was ap-
pointed for the argument thereof and
the following gentlemen as counsel in
the case. Mr. Sellman for plaintiff
and Mr. Ridout for defendant.

On motion the Court adjourned
L. W. Bryan Clerk

Amapolis April 13th 1859

The Court met - Present at the call of
the roll the following members: Messrs.
Green C. J., Asquith, Bryan, Claude,
Dresser Kidout - & Smith -

The proceedings of the last meeting
were read and adopted -

Hon. A. P. Hagme, Judge delivered his
opinion in the case of George White
vs The Mayor Recorder & Aldermen
of the City of Amapolis -

Hon. James F. Franklin, Judge delivered
his opinion in the case of Mary Cul-
-soll vs John Stone Ex. and Mary
Stone -

The case of Edward Wilkies vs
Thomas Micawber was then ar-
-gued before Hon. Henry M. Murray
by Mr. Asquith - for Appellant - and
Bryan for Appellee -

On motion the court adjour-
-ned

L. W. Bryan
Clerk.

Annapolis April 18th 1839.

On account of the absence of Hon Oliver
Miller, Judge, the Vice-Judge adjourned
the Court until Monday April 23rd
W. Bryan Ck.

Annapolis April 23rd 1839

The Court met. Present at the call of
the roll the following members: Messrs.
Asquith-Bryan Claude Dussier,
Ridout-Scellman & Smith.

The proceedings of the last meeting were
read and adopted.

The case of Trusty vs Wm Jones
was argued before Hon Oliver Miller, Judge
by Mr Scellman for Plaintiff and Mr
Ridout for defendant.

On motion of Mr Smith a committee was
appointed to wait upon the Hon Rich^d
Pescow Judge of the Circuit Court for
Anne Arundel County and request the
use of the Court House every Monday
night. On motion the Court adjourned
W. Bryan
Ck.

Annapolis May 3rd 1839

The Court met. Present at the call of the roll the following members: Messrs. Asquith, Bryan, Claude, Desser, Ridout, Sellman & Smith. The proceedings of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The Treasurers Report for the month of April was accepted and ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr Smith the Association proceeded to the election of a Vice Judge for the ensuing month and the ballots being counted it was found that Mr Ridout had received six votes and Mr Smith one vote; whereupon Mr Ridout was declared elected. The Vice Judge made the following appointments: Mr Sellman Clerk. And Messrs. Bryan Green & Gault Executive Committee. Mr Smith Chairman of the Committee appointed to wait upon Hon Nicholas Brewer made a verbal report. On account of the absence of Hon N. Brewer in the argument

in the case of Gordon vs. Gorman
was postponed until Monday May 9th
On motion the Court adjourned.
Louis B. Ryan

Annapolis May 9th 1859.
The Court met at eight o'clock. The
Vice Judge in the chair. Present Messrs. Bryan,
Claude, Dresser, Green, Sellman and
Smith. The proceedings of the last meeting
were read. Mr. Smith moved that that
part of the proceedings which relates to the
report of the committee appointed to wait on
the Hon. Nicholas Brewer for the purpose of ob-
taining the Court House to hold the meetings
of the next Court, be amended in order to
state the nature of the Report, which the Vice
Judge ordered to be done. The report reads as amen-
ded. Mr. Smith from the committee appointed to
wait on the Hon. Nicholas Brewer for the purpose
of obtaining the Court House to hold the meet-
ings of this Court, reported that in the absence
of the chairman of the Committee (Mr. Brewer)
he would state to the Court that the Commit

he had not waited on his Honor Judge Brewer
owing to his absence from town and asked
for an extension of time to make a farther report
which was granted.

Mr. Smith nominated Mr. Munroe for election
as a practitioner in this Court - which was se-
conded. Whereupon Mr. Smith was appointed teller
and the votes being counted it was found Mr. Munroe
had received six votes, one blank being cast.
On motion Mr. Munroe was declared unanimously
elected.

The argument in the case of Gordon vs. German
was commenced by Mr. Dresser for plff. and
continued by Mr. Claude for Def. and concluded by
Mr. Dresser. Hon. Jos. S. Franklin presiding
Mr. Smith moved that the case of Jones vs. Sewell
be dismissed. The Court declined to act, stating
it had no jurisdiction, its power ^{extending} only to the
case to be argued that night and ceased with
the close of the evening argument. All motions
on other subjects should be addressed to the Vice
Judge.

Mr. Asquith moved that hereafter this Court
meet at 8 o'clock, P. M. for the transaction of
business, which was seconded and put by the

Vice Judge, no objection being made it was declared adopted. Mr. Smith wished to know if this Court was governed by parliamentary rules. The Vice Judge stated it was. He then wished to know if it ^{was} a procedure sanctioned by such rules for motions to be thus passed. A long discussion with much confusion there upon ensued. Mr. Smith appealed from the decision of the Vice Judge declaring such motion passed and demanded the ayes and nays - which being taken resulted as follows - ayes Messrs. Claude, Green and Sellman - nays Mr. Arquith, Mr. Desser and Mr. Smith declining to vote. Absent Messrs. Bryan Brewer and Gantt. Mr. Claude explained his vote - There being no further business the Court adjourned -

J. Henry Sellman
Clerk

Annapolis May 16th 1859

The Court met at eight o'clock. the Vice Judge in the chair. The proceedings of the last meeting were read and after some discussion adopted.

The Hon. Henry M. Murray delivered his opinion in the case of McAuliffe vs. Wilkins. Judgment for appellants.

The Hon. Oliver Miller delivered his opinion in the case of Tinsley vs. Jones, which was for defendants - plea sustained and bill dismissed.

No case was argued. Owing to one of the counsel not having been provided with a statement of facts by the Vice Judge and the absence of the other from town.

The Court adjourned.

John H. Sillman Clk.

Annapolis May 22nd 1859.

The Court met at the usual time -
The Vice Judge in the chair. Present at
the call of the roll Messrs. Asquith. Brewer
Bryan. Claude. Green. Sellman. Smith and
Munroe -

The proceedings of the last meeting were
read and adopted.

The Hon. Jas. S. Franklin delivered the
opinion of the Court in the case of Gordon
& wife vs German - judgment for defen-
dants -

Mr. Smith delivered for plff - and Mr. Green
for Defs. argued the case of Samuel Jones vs
James Brown and William Sewell. before the
Hon. Henry M. Murray. Judge -

Mr. Asquith rose to make a motion. Mr. Smith
interrupted him by calling him to order.
The Vice Judge asked him to state his point
of order. which was that it was unconsti-
tutional to transact any extra-judicial bus-
iness on any night except the one for the elec-
tion of officers - The Vice Judge decided that
it was constitutional to transact business other
than those nights, and that Mr. Asquith was

in order. Mr. Smith appealed from the decision of the Vice Judge and demanded the eyes and naves - which resulted as follows. eyes Messrs. Asquith Bryan. Claude. Dresser. Sellman - (5) naves Messrs. Messrs. Brewer and Smith (2). Mr. Green not voting. Absent Messrs. Gantt and Munroe.

Mr. Smith tendered the following resignation
"Annapolis May 16th 1859. To the Hon. W^m. G. Bidcut
N. J. Sir - I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Annapolis Court and beg that it may be accepted - With my best wishes for the welfare of the Association and kindest regards for each individual member. I am
Sir Your Obedt. Servt. M. Tillard Smith."

On motion of Mr. Dresser it was accepted. Mr. Asquith then made the motion which he had before attempted to make - to the following effect. - That a Committee be appointed to request the County Commissioners to grant us the privilege of using the County Court room to hold the meetings of this Court - which was carried in the affirmative -

Mr. Dresser moved that on and after Monday May 30th this Court adjourn until the first Monday in October next - which was adopted

The Court then adjourned

J. Henry Sellman Clerk

Annapolis May 30th 1859

The Court met at the usual time the
Vice Judge in the chair. Present at the
roll call Messrs. Asquite Dresser Green
Sellman. The proceedings of the last meet-
ing were read and adopted. The Opinion
of the Hon. Henry M. Murray was read
in the case of Jones vs. Brown and
Swett. Judgment for plff. There being
no further business before the Court the
Vice Judge adjourned the Court until the
first Monday in October next at the usual
time and hour.

J. Henry Sellman Clerk

Amnapolis Oct 11th 1839

At the call of Mr Claude Vice Judge pro. tem. The Court assembled at 7^{1/2} P.M. the Vice Judge in the Chair. Mr Munroe having been appointed Clerk pro. tem. called the roll and the following gentlemen present answered to their names; Messrs Claude, Aisquith, Bryan & Munroe. There being a quorum present the Vice Judge announced that the Court was ready for the transaction of any business. Mr Bryan moved that the Court proceed to the election of a Vice Judge to serve for the ensuing month, which was adopted.

The ballots being counted, it was found that Mr Claude had received three votes, and Mr Aisquith one; whereupon Mr Claude was declared Elected.

One motion from Mr Aisquith, Mr Claude was unanimously Elected.

The Vice Judge then appointed Mr Munroe Clerk, but postponed the appointment of an Executive Committee,

until the next meeting. Mr Munroe
then proposed the names of the following
gentlemen for election, as practitioners
in this Court, Messrs Wm. T. Sglehart,
H. T. Smith, and Thos. S. G. Pratt.
These gentlemen having been balloted
for separately, were each unanimous-
ly elected. The Vice Judge appointed the
case of Brown vs. Brown, to be argu-
ed before the Court at its next meeting.
The Court then adjourned.

Seaton Munroe
Clk. pro tem.

Annapolis Oct 20th 1879

The Court met at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the Vice Judge
in the chair. Present Messrs Ainsworth,
Brewer, Bryan, & Munroe. The proceedings
of the last meeting having been read &
adopted. The Vice Judge then appointed
the following gentlemen as the Executive
Committee to serve during this month;

Messrs. Ainsworth, Sglerhart, & Smith. Owing to the absence of the Hon. Henry M. Murray, the argument in the case of Brown vs. Brown et al. was postponed by agreement of counsel. The Vice Judge having decided that business was in order, the designation of Mr. S. Green Esq. was read and accepted. Upon motion of Mr. Ainsworth the hour of meeting for the Court was fixed at 7 1/2 P. M. There being no further business before the Court it was adjourned.

Seaton Munroe
Ck.

Annapolis Oct 17th 1859.

The Court met at 7 1/2 P. M. the Vice Judge in the chair. Messrs. Sglerhart and Pratt entered as members of the Association, and signed their names to the Constitution after it and the By Laws had been read, which was done on motion of Mr. Ainsworth, it not being the regular night for such reading. The case of Brown vs. Brown

et al. was then argued before Vice Judge
Claude, Mr Aingluth for plf. and Mr
Brewer for the defts. On motion of Mr
Iglehart the Court then adjourned until
Monday the 31st of Oct.

Seaton Munroe
Ck.

Annapolis Oct. 31st 1859

The Court met at the usual hour the
Vice Judge in the Chair. Absent Messrs
Sellman, Smith, and Pratt. By mutual
agreement of Counsel the case of Willis
vs. Miller was postponed. Then being
no further business before the Court it
adjourned till Monday Evening Nov 7th.

Seaton Munroe.
Ck.

Amnapolis Nov 7th 59

The Court met at the usual time the Vice Judge in the chair. The roll was then called, and the following members were absent, Messrs Brewer, Sellman, and Smith. The proceedings of the last meeting were then read and adopted. The case of Willis vs. Miller was then argued before Am. Jas. S. Franklin Judge, by Bryan for self, and Iglehart for def. Being the first Monday in the month, as prescribed by the Constitution the election of officers then took place which resulted in the unanimous reelection of Mr. Claude as Vice Judge, who appointed the same officers as before. The Treasurer's report for October was then read. Mr. Bisquith then moved that "Any member leaving the court for more than five minutes be fined 25 cents," and the vote being taken, it was adopted. Mr. Iglehart then offered the following motion Resolved that the counsel in each case shall furnish each other with their

Statements of points in the case on or before
the Saturday previous to the arguing of such
case". Adopted. Then Vice Judge then
appointed in the case of Adams vs. Crane
to be argued Nov 21st. Mr Sellman for
plf. and Mr Brewer for def. There being
no further business before the court it adj-
ourned.

Leeton Munroe
Ck.

Amapolis Nov 18th 59

The court met at the usual hour the
Vice Judge in the chair. The roll being
called the following members were found
to be absent, Messrs. Brewer, Bryan, Ig-
hart, Pratt, Sellman, & Smith; after
which the proceedings of the last meeting
were read and adopted. The case of
Crane vs. Bird was then argued before Hon.
Nichs. Brewer Judge by Claude for plf. & As-
quith for def. The Vice Judge then appointed
in the case of Hill vs. Amapolis Insurance Co.
to be argued Nov 28th Mr Smith for plf. &

Mr. Mumroe for deft. There being no further
business before the Court it adjourned.

Seaton Mumroe
Clk.

Annapolis Nov 28th 59

There being no quorum present the Court
stood adjourned until the following Monday.

Seaton Mumroe.
Clk.

Annapolis Nov 28th 59

The Court met at the usual time, the Vice
Judge in the chair. The Roll being called
the following members were absent Messrs
Brewer, Iglehart, Pratt, & Sellman. The
proceedings of the last two meetings were
then read and adopted. It was then moved
by Mr. Claude that the Constitution be read

which was seconded by Mr Ainsworth, and the vote
being taken it was adopted. Mr Inman then
stated that there was no clause in the Con-
stitution authorizing its reading, and
moved to reconsider the vote, & Mr Smith
having seconded it. The Court refused to
refuse to entertain the motion to reconsid-
er, as Mr Smith had voted in the nega-
tive, to which ruling no exception being
taken, the Clerk proceeded to read the
Constitution. After the reading of the
Preamble, Mr Smith moved that so much
be considered as the reading of the whole
which was adopted. Owing to the non
appearance of the counsel appointed
in the case of Adams v. Grand, the
case was postponed until the next meeting
and the case of Hill v. Annapolis Ins. Co.
until Monday Dec 12th. There being no
further business before the Court it ad-
journed.

Seaton Murray

Annapolis Dec 5th 59.

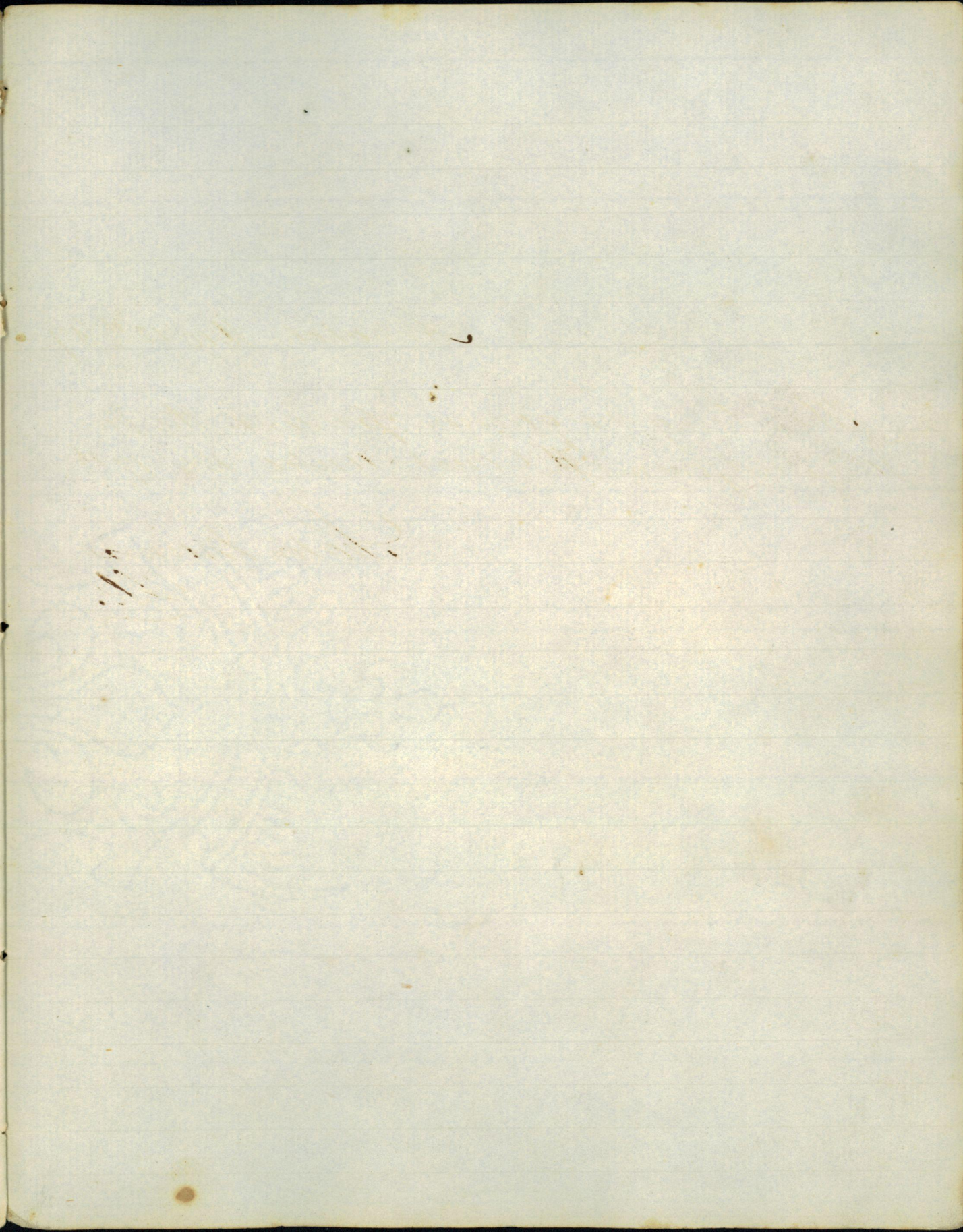
The Court met at the usual hour, and in the absence of the Vice Judge, was called to order by the Clerk, who moved that Mr Iglehart take the Chair. The Roll was then called and the following members were absent; Messrs Claude Pratt, Sellman & Smith. The proceedings of the last meeting were then read and adopted. Mr Claude upon his entrance resumed his seat, and the Clerk called up the case of Adams v. Crand. Mr Brewer the appellant stated that although Mr Sellman the Appellee was absent, he proposed to dispose of the case before the Vice Judge, by a statement of facts, as he was unwilling to argue against a point of law, after which he made a few remarks and submitted the case. The Court then proceeded to the election of a Vice Judge, and a ballot being taken, it was found that there was a tie Mr Claude and Mr Iglehart having each received three

votes. Mr Claude then rose and thanked the
Members of the Court for their kindness but begged
leave to withdraw his name, whereupon a
second ballot was taken, and it was found
that Mr Ighart had received five votes
and Mr Claude one. Mr Claude moved
that Mr Ighart be declared unanimously
elected which motion was carried. Mr
Ighart the Vice Judge elect then ap-
pointed Mr Mearns as Clerk, and
Messrs. Bisquith, Claude & Bryan as
the Executive Committee. Mr Bisquith then
proposed the following amendment to
the Constitution. "That in the absence
of the Vice Judge, the Clerk be invested
with all his powers," which was carried.
Mr Bryan then moved the following
amendment, "That the Constitution be
read on the first Monday in every month"
which was also carried. At the request
of the Clerk the Vice Judge postponed the
report of the Treasurer for Nov. until next
meeting. The Vice J. then appointed in
the case of

Annapolis Dec 12th 1799

There being no quorum present the Vice
Judge adjourned the Court until Dec 19th.

Seaton
Clerk.



and a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall, in all cases, be necessary to an election.

Article 3^d.

A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the association.

Article 4th

The Court shall be constituted to embrace the practice of all the courts of the State of Maryland.

Article 5th.

The Officers of the association shall consist of six Judges, a Vice Judge, a Clerk, and an Executive Committee of three members.

Article 6th.

The Judges shall be members of the Annapolis Bar - shall be chosen by a majority of the members present, and shall hold their office for one year. They shall

His term of office. He shall notify members elect of their election, and furnish each of them with a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws. He shall act as Secretary of all extra-judicial meetings, and it shall also be his duty to take charge of the financial concerns of the Association, to collect all fines imposed, and to ^{make} monthly reports of receipts and expenditures, and of all delinquencies on the part of members to pay their dues and the fines imposed upon them.

Article 9th.

The Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Vice Judge, to hold their office for the term of one month. It shall be their duty to present to the Vice Judge for his approbation not less than six cases drawn up after the manner resolved upon by the Association, out of which he (the Vice Judge) shall select one and present it to the presiding Judge.

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prescribe the Rules of Practice for the Court and shall exercise unlimited power, without appeal, in cases relating to the business of the Court.

Article 7th.

The Vice Judge shall be a member of the Association, shall be elected monthly by a majority of the members present, shall preside over the deliberations of the Court in the absence of the Judges, and at all extra-judicial meetings of the Society, shall have power to preserve order and compel the attendance of members, and shall assign counsel for each case fixing the time for the argument of the same, and giving to each attorney a statement of the facts.

Article 8th.

The Clerk shall be appointed monthly by the Vice Judge from amongst the members. He shall record in a book provided for the purpose, the decisions pronounced by the Judges and Vice Judges during

absentees for the collection of fines

Fifth

The Vice Judge shall have power to impose the fines.

Sixth

Whenever the Clerk of this Court. shall fail to attend any meeting, he shall be fined for each such absence in the sum of One dollar, unless prevented by sickness, or other sufficient cause.

Seventh

If any member shall fail to pay his fines or dues two weeks after being called on for the same by the Clerk, he shall be suspended; and if any member shall fail to pay his fines or dues ⁱⁿ one month after being called on by the Clerk, he shall be expelled, unless such failure to pay be occasioned by sickness or absence from town

Eighth

The Clerk shall have authority to meet,

By Laws.

First

An entrance fee of fifty cents shall be paid by each member upon admission to practice in this Court.

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Second

Upon the first meeting night of every month, each member shall pay into the treasury the sum of ten cents.

Third

Every member of this Court, who shall fail to attend meeting, shall be fined in the sum of twenty five cents, unless prevented by absence from town, or by sickness, or for reasons satisfactory to the Vice Judge.

Fourth

At the opening of each session of this Court, and at each extra-judicial meeting, the roll of the Court shall be called by the Clerk, and he shall keep a list of the

Article 10th.

This Court shall sit once a week for the argument of causes.

Article 11th

The members of the Association shall at the close of the session of the Court on the first night of every month, hold a meeting for the election of Vice Judge for the ensuing month, and for the transactions of extra-judicial business.

Article 12th

This Constitution shall not be altered, amended, rescinded or suspended except by a vote of three-fourths of the members present.

J. Williams Brewer.

H. J. Gillard Smith

Henry Sigworth

Louis W. Bryan

W. K. Kidder

J. Henry Salmon

Hammond Claude
Thomas W. Dresser
Mr. S. Green
Edw. Gault
Leatin Munroe
Thomas H. Pratt
W. J. Iglehart

Amendments to the Constitution ~

On the 5th of Dec. 1859 the two following amendments were made.

"In the absence of the Vice Judge the Clerk shall be invested with all his powers."

"The Constitution shall be read once a month at the extra judicial meetings."