

ably have power in any mode, except as hereinafter provided, to involve the several counties, cities and municipal corporations, or any of them, in the construction of works of internal improvement, nor in granting any aid thereto, which shall involve the faith or credit of the several counties, cities and municipal corporations, or any of them, of the State, unless the act of Assembly authorizing the faith and credit of the county, city, or municipal corporation proposed to be loaned or given in aid of such works, be submitted by a direct vote to the taxable voters of the county, city or municipal corporation whose faith and credit is proposed to be loaned, at such time and manner as may be prescribed in the act, and a majority of the taxable voters of the county, city or municipal corporation shall signify their assent and affirmation to such law.

On motion of Mr. Marbury, it was

*Ordered*, That the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company furnish to this Convention a detailed statement of all the debts due by it, with the dates at which they were contracted, and specifying which are preferred claims and liens and which are not, and copies of its annual reports to the stockholders from the year 1848 to the present time, to show the revenues and receipts of said company, and how the same was expended and what amount of money is now in the treasury of the company.

The unfinished business, being the report of the committee on the executive department, was then taken up.

Mr. Alvey moved to reconsider the first section, as he understood by it, as at present constituted, that the Governor would always be elected fourteen months before he entered on the duties of his office.

Mr. Carter explained that such would not be the effect. The Governor to be elected in November, 1867, would not enter upon his duties for fourteen months after his election, so as not to abridge the term of the present incumbent, but he would only actually discharge the duties of the office for three years. This would not be the case hereafter; all the succeeding Governors would serve for four years, and enter on the discharge of their duties on the January succeeding their election.