

persons elected to office under the constitution and laws of this State, and especially to provide therein, that such person has not either directly or indirectly offered or given, or procured to be offered or given any bribe or bribes to any voter or voters at any election, which has been held since the ratification of this constitution and further to provide in the test oath of the Grand Jurors of the counties, that they shall especially inquire into the cases of bribery in elections, which shall come to their knowledge, either directly or indirectly since the ratification of said constitution.

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Michael Newcomer, submitted the following preamble and order :

Whereas, there has been much complaint among the people of the State, of a waste of time in our Legislative assemblies;—and whereas, the same complaint exists against this body;—and whereas, the waste of time results from the great number of speaking members;—and whereas, the speakers, generally are members of the legal profession,

Therefore, Ordered, That the committee on the Legislative Department inquire into the expediency of engrafting upon the constitution, that no county or city shall be privileged to send more than one lawyer, in any one year, to represent the people thereof in the General Assembly.

Which was twice read and adopted.

In accordance with the notice given on yesterday,

Mr. James U. Dennis, moved that the Convention reconsider their vote upon the 1st and 2nd orders in the report of the committee on Printing, in relation to the debates and proceedings of the Convention.

Mr. Ridgely, moved to lay said motion on the table.

Mr. James U. Dennis, then withdrew his motion to reconsider.

Mr. Ridgely, then gave notice that on to-morrow, he would move to reconsider the vote of the Convention upon the 1st and 2nd orders in the report of the committee on Printing, in relation to the debates and proceedings of the Convention.

Mr. Jacobs submitted the following orders:

Which were twice read and adopted.

1st. Ordered, That a select committee of seven be appointed by the President, whose duty it shall be to report on all matters and subjects in any way connected with the free negro or mulatto population of our State; and that amongst other things they inquire and report the actual numbers thereof in the State, at the several census of the United States, down to and including that now being returned; their annual increase; the numbers that have been colonized in Africa; the amount of colonization taxes, and to what purposes applied, together with all laws or statutes peculiarly applicable to said free negro and mulatto population.

2nd. Ordered, That said committee submit to this Convention some prospective plan, looking to the riddance of this State, of the free negro and mulatto population thereof, and their colonization in Africa.