Sec. 7th. No person shall be eligible as a Senator or Delegate who, at the time of his election, is not a citizen of the United States, and who has not resided at least three years next preceding the day of his election in the State, and the last year thereof in the which he may be chosen to represent, if such shall have been so long established, and if not, then in the county from which in whole or in part, the same may have been formed; nor shall any person be eligible as a Senator unless he shall have also attained the age of years, nor as a Delegate unless he shall have also attained the age of twenty-one years at the time of his election.

Sec. 8th. No member of Congress, or person holding any Civil or Military office under the United States, shall be eligible to a seat in the General Assembly, and if any person shall after his election as a member of either House of the General Assembly, be elected to Congress or be appointed to any office, Civil or Military, under the government of the United States, his acceptance thereof shall vacate his seat.

Sec. 9th. No Priest, Clergyman or Teacher of any religious persuasion, society or sect, and no person holding any civil office of profit under this State, except Justices of the Peace, shall be capable of having a seat in the General Assembly.

Sec. 10th. Every Senator and Delegate before he acts as such shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation, viz: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of Maryland, and that I will faithfully discharge my duties as Senator, (or Delegate as the case may be,) without prejudice or partiality, and to the best of my ability."

Sec. 11th. The Senate upon assembling, shall choose a President and its other officers, and the House of Delegates when assembled shall choose a Speaker and its other officers—each House shall be judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its members, but a contested election shall be determined in such manner as shall be directed by law.

Sec. 12th. A majority of each House shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such penalties as each House may prescribe.

Sec. 13th. The doors of each House and of committees of the whole shall be open, except when the business is such as ought to be kept secret.

Sec. 14th. Each House shall keep a journal of its proceedings and cause the same to be published—the yeas and nays of the members on any question shall, at the desire of any five of them, be entered on the journal.

Sec. 15th. Neither house shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days; nor to any other place than tha