

FRIDAY, February 7th, 1851.

The Convention met.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Griffith.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Jenifer, chairman of committee No. 14, submitted the following

REPORT:

Article 1. There shall be a Board of Public Works consisting of three commissioners who shall be elected as herein provided, and receive a salary to be fixed by law, but not liable to be increased or diminished during their continuance in office.

Art. 2. At the first general election of Delegates to the General Assembly after the adoption of this Constitution, these commissioners as aforesaid, one from the Eastern Shore and two from the Western Shore, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, (the returns of which election shall be made and certified to the Governor,) one of whom shall hold his office for _____ years, from the first Monday in the month of November ensuing his election, one for _____ years, and one for _____ years, from the same period; and at their first meeting, or as soon thereafter as practicable, they shall determine by lot which of their number shall hold his office for _____ years respectively, and thereafter there shall be elected as aforesaid, at each general election of Delegates, one commissioner for the term of _____ years, to be taken in the proportion aforesaid from the Eastern and Western Shores and in case of a vacancy in the office of either of the said commissioners by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall fill the same until the next general election.

Art. 3. The said commissioners shall exercise a diligent and faithful supervision on all public works in which the State may be interested as stockholder or creditor; shall represent the State in all meetings of Stockholders, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law.

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Jenifer,

Ordered to be printed and made the order of the day for to-morrow, the 8th inst.

Mr. Biser, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to make such suitable arrangements of the seats in the South-west section of the house, as would better promote the convenience and comfort of the members occupying them.

In pursuance whereof, the President appointed Messrs. Biser, Tuck and McLane, to compose the committee.