

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to consider, in the organization of the Judicial Department, the expediency of abolishing the Baltimore city court, as established under an act of the General Assembly of Maryland; and to provide for the administration of the Criminal Law in that city, by dividing the duties heretofore imposed upon that Court, by the establishment of a Police court, for the trial of minor offences, with a view to a speedy trial and conviction of the guilty, and acquittal of the innocent, without unnecessary delay and expense, and by the establishment of a court for the trial of offences of a higher grade by a court competent, by their learning and integrity, to decide upon the rights and responsibilities of the people in a manner worthy of the dignity and honor of the State.

Mr. Hicks, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to ten o'clock on Monday, and that ten o'clock be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Which was read.

Mr. McMaster, offered as a substitute for said order the following:

Ordered, That from and after Tuesday the 26th inst, that this Convention meet at 11 o'clock, A. M., until further ordered.

Which was read.

On the question being put, "will the Convention accept the substitute?" it was

Determined in the affirmative.

The said order was then adopted.

Mr. Edge, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee to be appointed on the Legislative Department of Government, be requested to consider and report to this Convention the propriety of adopting restrictive and defend powers on this branch of government, so that in no future time, shall the Legislature by implication or contract, or in any way create any public debt, without the consent of the people of the State through the ballot box; and further, that said committee be requested also to consider and report to this Convention the expediency of forever restricting the Legislature against chartering any Bank or Corporation whose issues or indebtedness shall not be collectable from and off all stockholders, agents, clerks and officers, in any way connected with said Corporations after default has been made on their obligations.

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Stephenson, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on the Legislative Department when appointed, enquire into the expediency of inserting in the constitution about to be framed, a clause making it obligatory on the Legislature at its first session after the adoption of the new constitution, to appoint commissioners, whose duty it shall be to reduce into a written and systematic form or code the whole body of the statute laws in force in this State.

Which was twice read and adopted.