

ment shall be undertaken by the State unless the tax imposed for that purpose shall first be collected and paid into the Treasury.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the standing committee, No. 14, inquire into the expediency and propriety of establishing a Board of Public Works, to be elected by the people,—whose powers and duties shall be to make and control all works of improvement wherein the State is interested;

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary, inquire into the expediency of reducing the number of judges in courts of law and equity in this State, and of holding an annual term of the supreme or appellate court in each county, Howard district, and Baltimore city, or in each judicial district of this State ;

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Jacobs, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on the Legislative department inquire into the propriety of reporting a clause in the constitution which shall prohibit the Legislature from appropriating any monies out of the public Treasury, except for the legitimate expenses of the various departments of the government, until the State debt shall have been fully paid;

Which was twice read and adopted.

Mr. Jacobs, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on the Legislative department, inquire into the propriety of reporting a clause in the constitution, which shall from and after the payment of the State debt, require a distribution of the revenue of the works of internal improvement amongst the several counties and cities of this State, in the same ratio as by taxation they shall have contributed to the same;

Which was twice read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ware,

The Convention took up for consideration the report submitted by Mr. Eccleston, on yesterday, chairman of the committee to which was referred the resolution in relation to fixing the compensation of the officers of the Convention ;

Mr. Shriver, offered as a substitute for said resolution, the following :

Resolved, that the per diem of the President be five dollars, and usual mileage, as fixed by law.

Resolved, That the compensation of the secretary be five dollars per day, the assistant secretary, sergeant-at-arms, messenger, door-keepers, clerk to the committee on accounts, and committee clerks, be four dollars each per day ; the pages one dollar each per day,—and that the compensation of each of said officers, commence with the day of their respective appointments;

Which was read.

Mr. Schley, moved to amend said substitute by striking out the first resolution ;