

Mr. Markey submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of changing or amending the Testamentary System, in cases where a testator has devised his property to his executors to be sold, or has directed his real estate to be sold by his executors, for the payment of debts and legacies, or for any other purpose; so as, in the event of the death of both executors or the survivor, or the death of a sole executor, to give power to the Orphans' Court of the county or city of Baltimore, where letters testamentary have been granted to appoint an administrator *de bonis non*, with the will annexed, and invest him with power to sell such real estate and administer the proceeds according to the will of the testator.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Todd submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, upon the order of the President of this Convention, pay to Thomas J. Corkran, who temporarily discharged the duties of Page, in the beginning of the sessions of this Convention, the per diem and mileage allowed to the permanent Pages, for the number of days of service rendered by him.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Clarke submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Legislative Department be instructed to inquire into the expediency of inserting the following articles in the Constitution:

1. No free negro or free mulatto shall come into or settle in this State after the adoption of this Constitution.

2. All contracts made with any free negro or free mulatto coming into the State contrary to the provisions of the foregoing section, shall be null and void; and any person who shall employ such free negro or free mulatto, or otherwise encourage him or her to remain in the State, shall be fined in a sum not less than fifty dollars, nor more than five hundred dollars for each offence.

3. All fines which may be collected for a violation of the provisions of this article, or any law which may hereafter be passed for the purpose of carrying the same into execution, shall be set apart and appropriated for the colonization or removal beyond the limits of the State of such negroes and mulattoes and their descendants as may be in the State at the adoption of this Constitution, and may be willing to emigrate.