

now offered, has been called upon, because the other clerks were either engaged upon committees or were not known to members, and were not to be had, and he has done the work of a committee clerk throughout; and I am clearly of the opinion that he deserves to be rewarded for what he has done, and I also think that for a time longer at least, his services will be required in addition to those we now have. I therefore propose to amend this proposition by inserting before the word "added" the word "temporarily," so that it shall read "be temporarily added as an additional committee clerk," &c.

Mr. DANIEL. I offer the following as a substitute for the order, as offered by the gentleman from Washington county, (Mr. Negley.)

Ordered, That the President be requested to apportion the several committee clerks among the several committees of this Convention, and if he should believe any clerk, or more, necessary he be and is hereby authorized to appoint the same.

Mr. JONES, of Somerset, called for a division of the question upon the adoption of the substitute, which was ordered.

The question was first taken upon the portion directing the President to apportion the clerks to the several committees, which was agreed to.

The question being then taken upon the part authorizing the appointment of additional clerks if found necessary, it was not agreed to.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. AUDOUN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Elective Franchise be requested to inquire into the expediency of inserting the following article in the Constitution:

"That every person who has in any manner aided in the present rebellion against the Government of the United States, ought to be forever disqualified and rendered incapable to hold or exercise within this State any office of profit or trust, civil or military, or to vote at any election hereafter to be held in this State."

On motion of Mr. HATCH,

Ordered, That the following be referred to the Legislative Committee, "that the faith of the State shall never be pledged for works of internal improvements or any other tax, except what is necessary for the support of the Government or to suppress insurrection or rebel invasion."

On motion of Mr. THOMAS,

Ordered, That the Comptroller be requested to furnish the Convention with a statement of the amount of stock held and owned by the State of Maryland in the several railroads and other works of internal improvement, specifying the amount held in each company or corporation, and what proportion of said stock is represented by Directors, and also the amount of interest due on said stock.

Mr. TODD submitted the following order:

Ordered, That J. W. Garmong be appointed a committee clerk pro tempore.

On motion of Mr. ECKER,

The order was laid on the table.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mr. VALLIANT, from the Committee on Reporting and Printing, submitted the following report, which was read:

The Committee on Reporting and Printing, to whom was referred the order to appoint a Stenographer to the Convention, beg leave to report favorably upon said order, and recommend its adoption by the Convention, together with the additional orders herewith reported.

Ordered, That the Stenographer appointed by virtue of the 3d section of the Convention bill, is hereby appointed the permanent Stenographer to the Convention.

Ordered, That the President of the Convention be authorized to pay to Mr. Wm. Blair Lord, the Official Reporter of the Convention, upon the certificate of the Committee on Reporting and Printing, such sums as from time to time may be due to him, estimating the same at the rate of three dollars (\$3) per page of the printed debates and proceedings of the State Constitutional Convention.

Ordered, That there be furnished to the Official Reporter of this Convention, and to his assistant, one copy each of such books and documents as may be or have been ordered for the use of the members of the Convention; and two copies each of the printed sheets of the journal of proceedings, and the debates and proceedings of the Convention.

Mr. VALLIANT, in behalf of the majority of the Committee on Reporting and Printing, also submitted the following report, which was read:

In pursuance of an order adopted by the Convention, the Committee on Reporting and Printing, report that they have contracted with Mr. J. McGarigle to correct errors in the proof sheets of the debates, superintend the printing thereof, and perform such other duties as may be suggested by this Committee, for the sum of three hundred dollars; and that they have also contracted with Daniel M. Moore to index the journal of proceedings, the debates and the Constitution for a like sum.

On motion of Mr. BERRY, of Prince George's, The Convention adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, May 23d, 1864.

The Convention met at 12 M.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Davenport.

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Abbott, Annan, Audoun, Baker, Barron, Belt, Berry of Prince George's, Billingsley, Blackiston, Bond, Briscoe, Brooks, Brown, Carter, Clarke, Crawford, Cunningham, Cushing, Daniel