

Three separate and distinct propositions have been made to your Committee for the performance of the work required. One proposition, made by J. Guest King, Esq., embraced a proposal to do the printing for the Senate and House of Delegates, separately or jointly, for a definite sum, but owing to the fact that the greater part of the printing for both the Senate and House of Delegates had previously been ordered to be done by the Houses respectively, by Messrs. Wm. T. Iglehart & Co., for the Senate, and the printers of the last session for the House of Delegates, it was impossible to accept the offer, as in that event, two separate contracts would have been required for each House, and no terms for compensation had been prescribed for the work already ordered, the cost in the aggregate would almost certainly have exceeded the usual amount paid for the same.

For the House of Delegates printing, a proposition has been received from Messrs. S. Sands Mills and L. F. Celton, as follows:

150 copies of the Daily Journal, for use of the House of Delegates, free of charge.

500 copies of the Daily Journal, at two dollars per page; for extra copies at the same rate, less the cost of composition, (type-setting.)

Documents to be printed at the same rate.

Rule and Tabular Work double price.

For Bills, three dollars per page for any number not exceeding 500 copies.

2,000 Ayes and Nays, or as many as may be required, free of charge.

2,000 copies of the Laws passed by this session, printed on fine white paper, with marginal notes, for three dollars and twenty-five cents per page for the first five hundred copies, and for the additional copies the same price—the cost of composition to be deducted, and a proper index to be prepared without an additional charge, and give bond for thirty thousand dollars for the faithful execution of the work.

The work to be approved by the Joint Committee on Printing before being paid for.

For indexing the Journal of the House of Delegates, your Committee report that they have contracted with Henry Aisquith, Esq., for the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, to do the same—the work to be completed within twenty days after the expiration of the session.