

THE COMMITTEE CLERKS

Shall copy for the members all manuscripts handed them, in proper form; writing the same in a plain round hand; each line of each section to be numbered, and each line to contain, say thirteen words.

THE PAGES

Shall each morning lay upon the desk of the several members, a copy of the printed Journal and all other printed matter ordered by the Convention.

Shall wait upon the members in any matter directly connected with the Convention.

THE DOORKEEPERS

Shall close the doors leading into the hall so soon as the Chaplain commences prayer, and shall prevent conversation, walking, or any interruption whatever outside the bar of the Convention during religious services.

Shall close and keep closed both doors of the bar of the Convention, and take and keep position directly thereat, allowing no person to pass unless in strict conformity to the fifth Rule, viz:

No person shall be admitted within the bar of the Convention but members of the Executive and Judiciary departments, members of the General Assembly, and such other persons as may be invited by the President.

Shall prevent any abuse of property in the Lobbies.

Shall keep the aisles outside the bar of the Convention clear, so that the ingress and egress of members shall not be interrupted.

Shall give full attention to the comfort and seating in the Lobbies of all visitors.

THE POSTMASTER

Shall, on the arrival of the mails, promptly deliver to the members all mail matter addressed to them, and shall collect from their desks all matter prepared for mailing.

THE HALL KEEPER

Shall enforce proper decorum and order in the Rotunda, and shall exercise such supervision over the Hall as to render it comfortable and cleanly.

Respectfully submitted,

BALTIS H. KENNARD,
JAMES VALLIANT,
FREDERICK SCHLEY.

I concur in the above report, with the following amendments:

Amend Rule 15th by striking out the words "majority of the members elected," and inserting "three-fourths of the members elected."

Amend by adopting in lieu of Rule forty-nine the following Rule, to be inserted as Rule forty-nine: "The Standing Rules of the Convention shall not be suspended except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present."

DANIEL CLARKE.

Mr. HEBB moved that the report be printed.

Mr. CLARKE. I would suggest that there are only two amendments proposed to be submitted in reference to them, and the Conven-

tion may vote upon those amendments and then place it in the hands of the printer. If it is desired that it be printed before any action, I do not object to it.

Mr. STIRLING. I think it would be better that we should see what the rules are, and whether they require amendment, before having them printed for permanent use.

Mr. JONES of Somerset. I wish some members would state what the rules are. If they are the rules of the House of Delegates with some slight amendments, it would seem to be an unnecessary expense to print them now, and then after the adoption of an amendment or two to print them again. I make this suggestion as economy seems to be the order of the day.

Mr. CUSHING. How are the committee to know what amendments will be proposed? There may be any number proposed by members besides those suggested by the member from Prince George's. We cannot print the rules as the rules of the Convention until we know what they are, and make up our minds whether we want any other alterations or not.

The PRESIDENT. The rules will be printed in the Journal.

Mr. KENNARD. At the last Convention the rules were not printed in the Journal at the time they were reported; but I would suggest that they go upon the Journal, and after they have been acted upon they can be printed in form for the use of members. The amendments referred to by the member from Prince George's are the amendments suggested by him. He concurs in the report with two exceptions which are appended to the report. If those were the only alterations to be made we could act upon them at once; but the rules may undergo considerable amendment by the House. It has been necessary to make considerable alterations from the rules of the House of Delegates in consequence of the character of the business being altogether different from that of ordinary legislative bodies.

Mr. STIRLING. If it is to be entered upon the Journal, it is unnecessary to order it to be printed.

Mr. HEBB. With that understanding I withdraw the motion to print.

The report was read and ordered to be printed on the Journal.

Mr. KENNARD moved that the report of the Committee on Rules be made the order of the day for one o'clock to-morrow.

The motion was agreed to—yeas 35; nays 32.

Mr. STIRLING stated that the Committee on the Declaration of Rights would be ready to report in a few moments.

ADJOURNMENT OVER.

Mr. KING submitted the following order:

Ordered, That when the Convention adjourn to-morrow, it stand adjourned till 12 o'clock Wednesday next.