

ure of office, duties and compensation of all civil officers not embraced in the duties of other standing committees. 13th. Upon claims. 14th. Upon printing.

Mr. George W. Dobbin belonged to that class of the Convention, he hoped a very large one, which was anxious to get through with the work before them as speedily as possible. He thought the plan marked out by his friend from Baltimore county was of such an elaborate nature that, if adopted, it would have the effect to keep the Convention here during the whole summer. He would offer a substitute by which he hoped the work could be accomplished within twenty-five or thirty days.

Mr. Dobbin then offered the following as a substitute:

*Ordered,* That the bill of rights and constitution of Maryland of 1851 be printed for the use of members of the Convention in compact form, and on Monday next the Convention, in committee of the whole, shall proceed to consider the same, section by section, until it is completed.

Mr. Jones said that when the gentleman from Baltimore city had a little more experience in legislative matters he would know that the plan he proposed, instead of facilitating matters, would keep them here until Christmas. The work could be done in the most speedy way by being perfected in committees. On the plan suggested by his friend the debate would be interminable.

Mr. McKaig approved of the plan suggested by the gentleman from Baltimore city, (Mr. Dobbin.) There were the most able men in the State in the Constitutional Convention of 1851, and the Convention could not do better than base their labors on the elaborate product of that Convention.

Mr. John H. Barnes advocated the adoption of the substitute offered by Mr. Dobbin.

Mr. Barry said there were many issues now to be met which were not before the Convention of 1851, and advocated the adoption of the order presented by him.

Mr. Gill said the Convention of 1851 had sat over six months, and the Convention of 1864 four months, and both of those Conventions had adopted the plan sug-