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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

# STATE OF ARKANSAS.

FRAMED AND ADOPTED BY THE CONVENTION WHICH ASSEMBLED AT LITTLE ROCK, JULY 14TH, 1874, ANY RATIFIED

BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE,

AT THE ELECTION HELD OCT. 13TH, 1874.

WITH

# MARGINAL NOTES,

A Documentary History of the Constitution,

# AND A COPIOUS INDEX,

IN THE NATURE OF

# A DIGEST.

By JAMES M. POMEROY.

OF THE BAR OF LITTLE ROCK.

# By Authority.



P. A. LADUE, Printer.
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.
1876.

## OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,)

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

I, B. B. Beavers, Secretary of State of Arkansas, do hereby certify that the annexed is a true, complete, and full copy of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, framed by the Constitutional Convention of the people of said State, and adopted by the said Convention on the seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; as appears by comparing the same with the original roll of said Constitution now on file in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and offixed my official seal, at Little Rock, this ninth day of June, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

13609 B. B. BEAVERS, Jan. 1884 Secretary of State.

# PREFACE.

This edition of the Constitution of Arkansas has been prepared in pursuance of the provisions of an act of General Assembly, approved December 15th, 1874, entitled "An Act to provide for the Publication of the Organic Law of the State."

The text is an exact copy of the original, on file in the office of the Secretary of State; the punctuation, orthography, etc., having been implicitly followed in the minutest particular. A few clerical errors occur in the engrossed document. In some such instances, superfluous letters or words have been enclosed in brackets, an omission, or other accidental error of orthography, corrected in parenthesis, by the Editor.

The Index appended has been made so full as to approach the character of a concordance; every important word being noted, and the same matter indexed under several heads. As a rule, the text has been more or less fully digested, under the appropriate principal headings. (See, for example, under "General Assembly.") Under the subordinate headings, and in other instances, mere reference to article and section has been given; the sole aim of the Editor having been to subserve the purposes of practical convenience.

J. M. P.

Little Rock, May 1st, 1876.

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HISTORY OF THE

# CONSTITUTION OF ARKANSAS.



# MEMBERS

OF THE



# ARKANSAS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF 1874.

Arkansas County.

JAMES A. GIBSON.

Ashley County.

MARCUS L. HAWKINS.

Baxter County.

JOHN W. CYPERT.

Benton County

HORACE H. PATTERSON,

A. M. RODGERS.

Boone County.

WILLIAM W. BAILY.

Bradley County.

JOHN R. HAMPTON.

Calhoun County.

BENJAMIN W. JOHNSON.

Carroll County.

BRADLEY BUNCH.

Chicot County.

F. DOWNS.

Clark County.

HARRIS FLANAGIN,\*

JESSE A. ROSS.

Clayton County.

E. FOSTER BROWN.

Columbia County.

GEORGE P. SMOOTE,

DAWSON L. KILLGORE.

Crittenden County.

HUGH F. THOMASON.

JOHN S. ANDERSON.

WILLIAM S. HANNA.

Conway County.

Craighead County.

Crawford County.

W. L. COPELAND.

Cross County.

J. G. FRIERSON.

Dallas County.

W. D. LEIPER.

Desha County.

[X. J. PINDALL.†]

J. PENNOYER JONES.

Dorsey County.

JOHN NIVEN.

Drew County.

JAMES P. STANLEY.

Faulkner County.

JOHN DUNAWAY.

Franklin County.

WILLIAM W. MANSFIELD.

Fulton County.

EDWIN R. LUCAS.

Garland County.

HENRY M. RECTOR.

<sup>\*</sup> Died during the second session of the Convention, Oct. 22d, 1874.

<sup>†</sup> Resigned, July 20th, 1874.

<sup>‡</sup> Admitted July 21st, 1874, upon contest for the seat originally occupied by X. J. Pindall. (ix)

Grant County.

DAVIDSON O. D. CUNNINGHAM.

Greene County.

BENJAMIN H. CROWLY.

Hempstead County.

GRANDISON D. ROYSTON,

JOHN R. EAKIN.

Hot Spring County.

W. C. KELLY.

Howard County.

JACOB CUSTER.

Independence County.

JAMES W. BUTLER,

JAMES RUTHERFORD.

Izard County.

RANSOM GULLEY.

Jackson County.

FRANKLIN DOSWELL.

Jefferson County.

JOHN A. WILLIAMS, WILLIAM MURPHY,

CYRUS BERRY.

Johnson County.

SETH J. HOWELL.

Lafayette County.

VOLNEY V. SMITH.

Lawrence County.

PHILIP K. LESTER.

Lee County.

MONROE ANDERSON.

Little River County.

JAMES H. WILLIAMS.

Lincoln County.

REASON G. PUNTNEY.

JAMES P. EAGLE.

Madison County. JOHN CARROLL.

Marion County.

ROBERSON J. PEIRCE.

Mississippi County.

CHARLES BOWEN.

Monroe County.

SIMON P. HUGHES.

Montgomery County. NICHOLAS W. CABLE,

Nevada County.

RUFUS K. GARLAND.

Newton County.

GEORGE H. S. DODSON.

Onachita County, ELIJAH MOSELY.

HENRY G. BUNN.

Perry County.

W. H. BLACKWELL,

Phillips County.

JOHN J. HORNOR, JAMES T. WHITE.

ROBERT POLK.

Pike County.

HENRY W. CARTER.

Poinsett County.

RODERICK JOYNER.

Polk County.

STEPHEN C. BATES.

Pope County.

JOHN R. HOMER SCOTT.

Prairie County.

DAVID F. REINHARDT.

Pulaski County.

JAMES F. FAGAN.\* GEORGE N. PERKINS.

JESSE BUTLER.

SIDNEY M. BARNES,

DAN, O'SULLIVAN,†

<sup>\*</sup> Resigned without taking his seat in the Convention,

<sup>†</sup> Chosen at special election held July 27th, 1874, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of James F. Fagan.

Randolph County.

JOHN MILLER, JR.

St. Francis County.

JOHN M. PARROTT.

Saline County.

JABEZ M. SMITH.

Sarber County.

BEN. B. CHISM.

Scott County.

J. W. SORRELS.

Searcy County.

WILLIAM S. LINDSEY.

Sebastian County. WILLIAM M. FISHBACK.

R. P. PULLIAM,

Sevier County. B. H. KINSWORTHY.

Sharp County.

LEWIS WILLIAMS.

Stone County.

WALTER J. CAGLE,

Union County.

HORATIO G. P. WILLIAMS, ROBERT GOODWIN.

Van Buren County. ALLEN R. WITT.

Washington County.

BENJAMIN F. WALKER, M. F. LAKE,

T. W. THOMASON.

White County.

JESSE N. CYPERT.

JOSEPH W. HOUSE.

Woodruff County. WILLIAM J. THOMPSON.

Fell County.

JOSEPH T. HARRISON.

## OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

President, . . . . GRANDISON D. ROYSTON, of Hempstead County,

Secretary, . . . . THOMAS W. NEWTON, of Pulaski County.

Assistant Secretaries,

R. B. Pearce, of Benton County. R. G. Woods, of Phillips County. CHARLES C. REED, JR., of Conway County.

Chaplain, . . . . REV. W. W. KEEP, of Pulaski County.

Sergeant-at-Arms, . . THOMAS L. HILL, of Conway County.

Dooorkeeper, . . . . SANFORD C. FAULKNER,\* of Pulaski County.

SANFORD C. FAULKNER, JR., † of Pulaski County.

Assistant Doorkeeper, . BENJAMIN McGuire, of Jefferson County.

<sup>\*</sup> Died Aug. 4th, 1874.

<sup>†</sup> Elected Aug. 6th, 1874, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of S. C. Faulkner.



# ACTS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

PROVIDING FOR CONVENTION TO FRAME NEW CONSTITUTION.



### AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR A CONVENTION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO FRAME A NEW CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, it is manifest that there are many defects and objectionable provisions in the present Constitution of the State, and that it is not satisfactory to the people thereof; therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, convened in extraordinary session, as follows:

Section 1. That a Convention of the people of the State is called, to assemble at Little Rock, the capital of the State, on Tuesday, the 14th day of July, 1874, for the purpose of framing a new Constitution, and providing for putting the same into force.

SEC. 2. That the Delegates to said Convention shall be chosen by the qualified electors of each County of the State, in the manner hereinafter provided, and shall possess the same qualifications as are provided for a member of the

House of Representatives.

SEC. 3. Each County in the State, as now organized, shall be entitled to one Delegate to said Convention, and the following Counties shall be entitled to the additional Delegates herein mentioned, to-wit: The County of Washington shall be entitled to two additional Delegates, Benton one, Clark one, Hempstead one, Independence one, Jefferson two, Ouachita one, Phillips two, Pulaski three Sebastian one, Union one, White one, Columbia one.

Sec. 4. An election shall be held at the several election precints of every County in the State, on Tuesday, the 30th day of June, A. D. 1874, for the pur-

pose of electing Delegates to said Convention.

Sec. 5. Said election shall be conducted in accordance with existing laws,

except as herein otherwise provided.

SEC. 6. There shall be elected, by the joint vote of the Senate and House of Representatives, a State Board of Supervisors of said election, to consist of three men of known intelligence and uprightness, who shall take an oath faith
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fully and impartially to discharge the duties of their office, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, and who shall perform the duties herein assigned them.

- SEC. 7. Said State Board shall at once proceed to appoint a Board of County Election Supervisors for each County of the State, consisting of three men of known intelligence and uprightness of character, who shall take the same oath as above provided for the State Board; a majority of each Board shall constitute a quorum, and shall perform the duties herein assigned them.
- SEC. 8. The Board of County Election Supervisors shall at once proceed to appoint three judges of election for each election precinct in their respective Counties, and the judges shall appoint three election clerks for their respective precincts, all of whom shall be good, competent men, and take an oath as above prescribed.
- SEC. 9. The State Board shall prescribe the form of poll-books, and each County Board shall furnish the judges of each election precinct with three copies of the poll-books, in the form so prescribed, at the expense of the County.
- Sec. 10. Should the judges of any election precinct fail to attend at the time and place provided by law, or refuse to act, the assembled electors shall choose competent persons, in the manner provided by law, to act in their place, who shall be sworn as above.
- Sec. 11. As the electors present themselves at the polls to vote, the judges shall pass upon their qualifications, whereupon the elerks of election shall register their names on the poll-books, if qualified, and such registration by said clerks shall be a sufficient registration in conformity to the Constitution of of this State, and then their votes shall be taken: *Provided*, No person shall vote outside or elsewhere than in the township, ward or precinct in which he resides. The electors shall be numbered, and the number of each elector marked on his ballot by one of the judges, when deposited.
- Sec. 12. After the ballots are counted by the judges, and the result certified on the poll-books by them, the poll-books and the ballots, sealed up, shall be returned to the County Board of Election Supervisors, who shall proceed to cast up the votes, ascertain the result, and furnish the persons elected as Delegates to the Convention with certificates of election. Each County Board shall return to the State Board the name or names of the Delegates elected; and a full list of the Delegates shall be laid before the Convention, on the day it assembles, by the State Board.
- SEC. 13. Each County Board shall also return to the State Board the names of all persons voted for, with the number of votes received by each.
- Sec. 14. If there is a failure to hold an election in any County, or a vacancy occurs in the office of Delegate, the President of the Convention may order an election in such County forthwith, to elect a Delegate or Delegates to fill such vacancy or vacancies.
- SEC. 15. If a majority of the Delegates elected to the Convention are not present on the day fixed for it to meet, the members present may adjourn from day to day until a majority is present, and then proceed to be organized.
- Sec. 16. The Delegates and officers of the Convention shall take an oath to support the Constitution of the United States.

SEC. 17. Any election officer, elected or appointed under the provisions of this Act, who shall fraudulently and corruptly register, cast up or make a false return of said election, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and on conviction thereof shall be imprisoned in the jail and penitentiary house not less than five nor more than ten years. And any person who shall vote more than once, or bribe any person to vote contrary to his wishes, or intimidate or prevent any elector by threats or promises from voting, shall be guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned in the jail and penitentiary house not less than one year or more than five years, and the Judges of the several Circuit and Criminal Courts of this State shall give this section specially in charge to the grand jurors of their respective jurisdictions.

SEC. 18. The Convention shall have power to determine the election, qualifi-

cations and returns of its members.

SEC. 19. A sufficient amount of money is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury to pay the necessary expenses of said Convention, should one be held.

SEC. 20. That at said election the electors shall have written or printed on their ballots, in addition to the name or names voted for as Delegate or Delegates, "For Convention," or "Against Convention," and said returning officers shall certify the vote for and against Convention in the same manner that the vote for Delegates is required to be certified; and if a majority voting for a Convention, said Convention shall be held at the time herein specified, and the Delegates to said Convention shall receive the same mileage and per diem as is now received by the members of the General Assembly.

Sec. 21. The Governor shall immediately issue his proclamation for an elec-

tion under the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 22. That all Acts and parts of Acts in conflict with this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved May 18, 1874.

# AN ACT

Supplementary to and Amendatory of an Act entitled an Act Providing for a Convention of the People of the State of Arkansas, to frame a New Constitution, May, 1874.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas:

Section 1. That all Judges of this State are prohibited from issuing any writ of process whatever, or taking any action, or assuming any jurisdiction in or about, or in connection with the election provided for in the Act to which this is supplementary and amendatory, except in so far as may be necessary for the preservation of peace and order, and to secure the holding such election: Provided, however, That the provisions of this section shall not be construed as to amend, or in any wise impair the criminal jurisdiction of Criminal and Circuit Courts, as specified in the Act to which this is supplementary and amendatory.

Sec. 2. In case of a vacancy or vacancies occurring in the Board of State Supervisors provided for in the Act to which this is supplementary and amendatory, the same shall be filled at once by the remaining Supervisor or Supervisors, appointing a person or persons of known intelligence and uprightness to fill such vacancy or vacancies.

SEC. 3. The members of said Board of Supervisors shall receive the same mileage and per diem as is now allowed by law to the members of the General Assembly, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury of the State not other-

wise appropriated.

SEG. 4. That the members of the Board of Supervisors of the several counties shall receive two (\$2) dollars each per day while actually engaged in the duties of their offices, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasuries of their respective counties not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 5. That all Acts and parts of Acts in conflict with this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and that this Act take effect and be in force from

and after its passage.

Approved May 28, 1874.

# PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR, \*

GIVING NOTICE OF ELECTION TO DETERMINE THE QUESTION OF HOLDING A CONVENTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FORMING A NEW CONSTITUTION, AND OF ELECTING DELEGATES TO COMPOSE SUCH CONVENTION, IF CALLED.

THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO THE SHERIFFS OF THE SEVERAL COUNTIES, Greeting:

Whereas, by an act of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, approved May 18th, 1874, it is provided that a convention of the people of the State is called to assemble at Little Rock on Tuesday, the 14th day of July, A. D. 1874, for the purpose of framing a new Constitution, and providing for and putting the same in force, and that an election shall be held at the several election precincts of every county of the State, on Tuesday, the 30th day of June, A. D. 1874, for the purpose of electing delegates to said convention:

Now, THEREFORE, I, Elisha Baxter, Governor of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim that on Tuesday, the 30th day of June, A. D. 1874, an election by the qualified electors of the State of Arkansas, in accordance with said Act, will be held at the several election precincts of each county of said State, for the following number of delegates to said Constitutional Convention from each county respectively, to-wit:

Arkansas one (1), Ashley one (1), Baxter one (1), Benton two (2), Boone one (1), Bradley one (1), Calhoun one (1), Carroll one (1), Chicot one (1), Clark two (2), Clayton one (1), Columbia two (2), Conway one (1), Craighead one (1), Crawford one (1), Crittenden one (1), Cross one (1), Dallas one (1), Desha one (1), Dorsey one (1), Drew one (1), Faulkner one (1), Franklin one (1), Fulton one (1), Garland one (1), Grant one (1), Greene one (1), Hempstead two (2), Hot Spring one (1), Howard one (1), Independence two (2), Izard one (1), Jackson one (1), Jefferson three (3), Johnson one (1), Lafayette one (1), Lawrence one (1), Lee one (1), Lincoln one (1), Little River one (1), Lonoke one (1), Madison one (1), Marion one (1), Mississippi one (1), Monroe one (1), Montgomery one (1), Nevada one (1), Newton one (1), Ouachita two (2), Perry one (1), Phillips three (3), Pike one (1), Poinsett one (1), Polk one (1), Pope one (1), Prairie one (1), Pulaski four (4), Randolph one (1), Saline one (1), St. Francis one (1), Searcy one (1), Sebastian two (2), Sevier one (1), Scott one (1), Sarber one (1), Sharp one (1), Stone one (1), Union one (1), Van Buren one (1), Washington one (1), White two (2), Woodruff one (1), Yell one (1).

<sup>\*</sup>A proclamation identical with this, except that the clause providing for a vote for or against the holding of a convention, was omitted, had been issued May 22d.—Editor.

At said election, the electors shall have written or printed on their ballots, in addition to the name or names voted for as delegates, "For Convention" or "Against Convention."

The Sheriffs of the several counties are hereby required to cause said election to be conducted according to law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto put my hand and caused the seal of the State to be affixed, at the Executive Office, at the City of Little Rock, this 16th day of June, A. D. 1874.

ELISHA BAXTER,
Governor of Arkansas.

By the Governor:

J. M. Johnson,

Secretary of State.

# RETURN, TO THE DELEGATES ELECT TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS

APPOINTED UNDER THE ACT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVED MAY 18, 1876.

To the Honorable the Delegates to the Constitutional Convention of the State of Arkansas:

Gentlemen:—We transmit herewith our report as the State Board of Election Supervisors of the election held on the 30th ult., under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly, entitled "An Act providing for a Convention of the People of the State of Arkansas, to frame a new Constitution," approved May 18th, 1874; which report is embraced in the following-named abstracts and lists, to-wit:

"A:" List of County Election Supervisors appointed by the State Board.

"B:" Abstract, from official returns, of votes cast for Delegates to Constitutional Convention.

"C:" List of Delegates elected to the Constitutional Convention, as shown by official returns.

"D:" Abstract of votes cast for and against Convention.

The official oath of the State Supervisors, and the official oaths and returns of the County Supervisors, are held subject to the order of the Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. GARLAND, DUDLEY E. JONES, GORDON N. PEAY,

State Board of Election Supervisors.

[Appended to the Return are the exhibits referred to. The list of Delegates elect is published on p. ix, the abstract of the vote for and against Convention on p. xx, of this volume.]

# ABSTRACT OF VOTES

CAST AT THE ELECTION HELD ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 1874, "FOR' AND "AGAINST" THE CALL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR' THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.\*

COUNTIES.	For Convention	Against Conven	Majorities for e	Majorities against Convention	COUNTIES	For Convention	Against Convent	Majorities for (	Majorities aga Convention
ĀRKANSAS	995	tion.	Con.   578	inst	LONOKE	1506	tion.	1383	against
ASHLEY	639	11	628	*****	LINCOLN	918	694	224	
BENTON	2365	7	2358	******	Madison	1037	131	906 535	
BOONE	1277 842	26 13	1251 829		MARION	545 602	10 18	584	
BRADLEY	535	31	504		MISSISSIPPI	1614	24	1590	
CALHOUN.	533	91	527		MONTGOMERY	496	3	493	
CARROLL	619	8	611		NEWTON	542	23	519	
CHICOT	1260	5	1255		NEVADA	935	55	880	
CLARK		162	1031		OUACHITA	1010	8	1002	
COLUMBIA	1299	23	1276		Perry	301	55	246	
CONWAY		214	752		PHILLIPS	3296		3296	****
CRAWFORD	1610	5	1605		Рікк	301	119	182	
CRITTENDEN	1012	123	889		Poinsett	313	5	308	
CRAIGHEAD	540	25	515		Polk	432	2	430	
Cross	843		843	14.7	POPR	1047	29	1018	
CLAYTON	1298	16	1282		PRAIRIE	1103	400	703	
DALLAS	757	20	737		PULASKI	2673	82	2591	
Desha	1015	12	1003		RANDOLPH	1179	71	1172	
Drew	1110	117;	993		St. Francis	1412		1412	
DORSEY	748	207	541		SALINE	874		* 874	
FRANKLIN	1155	3	1150	******	SCOTT	1058	1	1057	
FULTON	491		491		STONE	432	4	428	******
FAULKNER	1233	34	1199		SEARCY	407	95	312	
GRANT	667	31	636		SHARP	819	4	815	1
GREENE	921		921		SEVIER	545	4	541	
HOWARD	825	37	788		SEBASTIAN	2145	2	2143	******
HEMPSTEAD	1330	9	1321 586		SARBER	1248	101	1147 1833	
HOT SPRING	629		625		Union	1834	11	855	*****
GARLAND	758	133	1852		VAN BUREN	2776	25	2751	
INDEPENDENCE	1870	18	737		WASHINGTON	1931	25	1929	
IZARD	1372	42	1330		WHITE	1732	8	1724	******
Jackson		3132		2016	YELL	1702	9	1693	******
JEFFERSON	1116 1396	77	1319		1 F.L.L.	1102	J	1000	
JOHNSON	849	893		44	Тотац	80259	8547		
LAWRENCE	952	1	951	4.4	10184	00201	0041		
LITTLE RIVER.	627	241	386						
		241	1836						
1.ER	1 1000		1000		1				1

TOTAL VOTE "FOR CONVENTION" -					80,259
TOTAL VOTE "AGAINST CONVENTION'	' -		-	-	8,547
MAJORITY "FOR CONVENTION"		-			71,712#

<sup>°</sup>From the official returns to the delegates elect to the Constitutional Convention, of the State Board of Election Supervisors appointed under the Act of General Assembly, approved May 18th, 1874, entitled "An Act providing for a Convention of the People of the State of Arkansas, to frame a new Constitution" (p. xiii).

<sup>†</sup>The official return, through some clerical error, states the vote "Against Convention" at 8,607, and the consequent majority "For Convention" at 71,652. The totals as here given result from the footings of the votes given for the several counties.—EDITOR.

## ADDRESS

#### TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE,

PREPARED BY ORDER OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

And appended to the official copies of the Constitution, circulated for public information.

#### FELLOW CITIZENS:

Your Delegates in Convention assembled to frame a Constitution for the State of Arkansas, now submit the result of their labors for your approval.

We commend to your favorable consideration the Constitution accompanying this address, as the fruits of the united efforts and untiring labor of a truly representative body, whose interests are identified with those of the people of the entire State.

An examination of this-Constitution will show its distinguishing features—as compared with the Constitution of 1868—to consist in submitting the election of all officers of the government to the popular vote; in diminishing the number of offices to such number as is necessary to an economical and successful administration of the government; in limiting the rate of taxation, by the Legislature, on the assessed value of all property; in protecting the public credit, by expressly prohibiting the Legislature from contracting any debt, save for certain specified purposes; and in prohibiting all local and special legislation.

It is believed the main corrective of the abuses which we have for several years past sustained, will be found in that feature of the Constitution which submits all elections of civil officers to the people, thereby depriving the Executive Department of the State of the power of appointment. The necessity of free and fair elections, uncontrolled by partisan appliances, has long been felt by our people. The abuse of this right—so long held inviolable—has stifled the popular voice, given the reins of government to a faction, reduced our people to bankruptcy and impoverishment, inaugurated intestine feuds and revolutions, and disgraced our State.

The new Constitution is framed with a view of correcting these abuses by keeping, as nearly as may be, all power in the hands of the people, and holding their agents in office directly responsible to them—the chief end and aim of all popular, representative government. It is liberal in its provisions, and chal-

lenges the admiration and support alike of Democrats and Republicans, who are not biased by party feeling. It gives equal rights to all, regardless of race or

color, or previous condition of servitude.

With provisions so liberal, with features so well calculated to correct the abuses of the past, and being the work of delegates chosen by a popular vote so large and overwhelming, it is not surprising that the enemies of the new Constitution should despair of defeating it by an appeal to the people at the coming election upon its ratification or rejection. We have every reason to believe that, if the new Constitution is ratified by the popular vote, and the government under it inaugurated, the present numerous and gross abuses, as the result of misrule, will give way, the angry feeling which has been engendered between the members of the two political parties, by restless office-seekers, and disturbers of the peace, will gradually disappear, and our State will assume that honorable position in the confederacy of States, for which nature has so sminently endowed her.

On the contrary, if this Constitution should be defeated or set aside, we can no longer have reasonable grounds of hope for a restoration of local self-government in Arkansas, and we forbear to contemplate the scenes which a defeat or failure would entail upon a people already bowed to the earth with suffering and sorrow.

In conclusion, we ask all, regardless of party, who are tired of strife, and who long for a permanent restoration of peace, to unite in supporting the new Constitution, that we may have in its behalf the moral effect of the largest popular majority that is possible of attainment under the circumstances. And we urge, most earnestly, each and every one to go forward, peacefully but resolutely, to the discharge of his duty in giving the State this organic law, regardless of all promises, all overtures, and all threats, from those who, under the guise of friendship, seek only to complete your ruin. This opportunity lost, you and your State are lost; but improved and availed of, you and your State are saved, with every promise of a future of peace and of prosperity.

H. M. RECTOR,
R. K. GARLAND,
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S. P. HUGHES,
BRADLEY BUNCH,
Committee.

## PROCLAMATION

BY THE

# STATE BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS.\*

OFFICE OF STATE BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS, LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 30, 1874.

In pursuance of the provisions of Section seventeen of the Schedule to the Constitution recently framed for the State of Arkansas, the undersigned do hereby proclaim and make known, that at a general election held on the thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1874, the following votes were cast "For" and "Against" said Constitution, in the several counties of said State, as appears by the official returns made to said Board by the County Boards of Election Supervisors, to-wit:†

COUNTIES.	For Constitution	Against Constitu-	Majorities for Con- stitution	Majorities against Constitution	COUNTIES.	For Constitution	Against Constitu-	Majorities for Con- stitution	Majorities against Constitution
ABKANSAS	1211 1147	430 320	781 827		LeeLonoke	1760 1500	83	1758 1417	
Benton	1954	79	1875	*****	LINCOLN	886	948		62
BOONE	1374	65	1309		MADISON	1143	111	1032	
Bradley	762	65	697		MARION	683	19	664	
BAXTER	569 594	45 11	524 583		MISSISSIPPI	936	26	910	******
CALHOUN	4 04 4	6	1005	*****	MONTGOMERY	985 594	-744 24	241 570	******
CARROLL	417	1311	1000	894	NEWTON	402	157	245	******
CLARK	1 100	662	776	001	NEVADA	1198	211	987	
COLUMBIA	1376	369	1007		QUACHITA	1101	925	176	******
CONWAY	888	341	547		PERRY	323	113	210	
CRAWFORD	1444	209	1235		PHILLIPS	1958	2184		226
CRITTENDEN	426	954	******	528	PIKE	400	134	266	*****
CRAIGHEAD	858	6	852		POINSETT	329	3	326	*****
Cross	701 746	220 11	481 735	******	Polk	467	49	418	*****
CLAYTON	682	195	487	******	POPE	1317	25	1292	
Dallas Desha	425	802	401	377	PULASKI	911 3054	368 2135	543 919	*****
Drew	1253	661	592	011	RANDOLPH	1246		1246	******
DORSEY		210	710	******	ST. FRANCIS	1102	478	624	******
FRANKLIN	1377	181	1196		SALINE	1019	110	1019	******
FULTON	535		535	******	SCOTT	1083	89	994	
FAULKNER	1216	65	1151	******	STONE	655	7	648	0
GRANT	631	51	580		SEARCY	518	104	414	*****
GREENE	953 1046	82	953 964		SHARP	945	28	917	
GARLAND	798	315	483	*****	SEVIER	689	80	609	*****
HOWARD	1676	677	999	******	SEBASTIAN	1742	606 183	1136 1009	*****
HOT SPRING	539	110	429	*****	SARBER UNION	1192 1322	744	578	******
INDEPENDENCE	2023	349	1674		VAN BUREN	976	46	930	******
IZARD	1229	36	1193		WASHINGTON	2200	234	1966	******
JACKSON	1743	45	1698		WHITE	2377	58	2319	
JEFFERSON	1052	2805		1753	WOODRUFF	1260	395	865	
Johnson	1264	99	1165	******	YELL	1430	236	1194	
LAFAYETTE	1070	1045	25						
LITTLE RIVER	1176 470	423	1173	******	TOTAL	78697	24807		
THE THE PERSON	410	420	411	******	1		1		

Total vote "For Constitution" - - - 78,697
Total vote "Against Constitution" - - - - 24,807
Majority "For Constitution" - - - 53,890

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1874.

U. M. ROSE, DUDLEY E. JONES, GORDON N. PEAY,

State Board Election Supervisors.

Appointed by Sec. 7 of the Schedule to the Constitution.
†For convenience of reference, the majorities, in the several counties, for and against the Constitution, which do not appear in the original, are here interpolated.—EDITOR.



# CONSTITUTION OF ARKANSAS.





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## CONSTITUTION OF ARKANSAS.

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- 11. Habeas corpus,
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- 16. Imprisonment for debt prohibited.
- 17. Attainder, laws, ex post facto, impairing contracts, etc., prohibited,
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- 19. Perpetuities, monopolies, and hereditary distinctions, prohibited.
- 20. Resident aliens.
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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## STATE OF ARKANSAS.

## PREAMBLE.

We the people of the State of Arkansas, grateful to Almighty Preamble. God for the privilege of choosing our own form of Government; for our civil and religious liberty; and desiring to perpetuate its blessings and secure the same to ourselves and posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

## ARTICLE I.

BOUNDARIES.

We do declare and establish ratify and confirm the Boundaries of the following as the permanent boundaries of the State of Arkansas, that is to say: Beginning at the middle of the main channel of the Mississippi river, on the parallel of thirty six degrees of north latitude, running thence west with said parallel of latitude to the middle of the main channel of the St. Francis river; thence up the main channel of said last named river, to the parallel of thirty six degrees, thirty minutes of north latitude; thence west with the Southern boundary line of the State of Missouri to the South West corner of said last named State; thence to be bounded on the West to the North bank of Red river, as by act of Con-

gress and treaties existing January first 1837, defining the Western limits of the territory of Arkansas, and to be bounded across and South of Red river by the boundary line of the State of Texas as far as to the North West corner of the State of Louisiana; thence easterly with the northern boundary line of said last named state to the middle of the main channel of the Mississippi river; thence up the middle of the main channel of said last named river, including an island in said river known as "Belle Point Island," and all other land originally surveyed and included as a part of the Territory or State of Arkansas, to the thirty sixth degree of north latitude, the place of beginning.

#### SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

Seat of government of the State of Arkansas shall be and remain at Little Rock, where it is now established.

#### ARTICLE II.

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.

Source of political power.

Section 1. All political power is inherent in the people, Object of govern- and government is instituted for their protection, security ment.

Right of reform and benefit; and they have the right to alter, reform or abolish the same, in such manner as they may think proper.

Natural freedom and independent, dence of men.

In a lie n a blo and have certain inherent and inalienable rights; amongst which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty; of acquiring, possessing and protecting property, and rep-

Origin of govern- utation; and of pursuing their own happiness. To secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Equality of all persons before the law, is recognized, and shall ever remain inviolate; nor shall any citizen ever be deprived of any right, privilege or immu-

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nity; nor exempted from any burden or duty, on account of race color or previous condition.

SEC. 4. The right of the people pefalceably to assem-Right assembly: ble, to consult for the common good; and to petition, And of petition. by address or remonstrance, the government, or any department thereof, shall never be abridged.

The citizens of this State shall have the Right SEC. 5. to hear right to keep and bear arms for their common defense.

Sec. 6. The liberty of the press shall forever remain Liberty speech inviolate. The free communication of thoughts and opinions is one of the invaluable rights of man; and all persons may freely write and publish their sentiments on all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of such right. In all crimi-Libel. nal prosecutions for libel, the truth may be given in evidence to the jury; and, if it shall appear to the jury that the matter charged as libelous is true, and was published with good motives and for justifiable ends, the party charged shall be acquitted.

SEC. 7. The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate, Trial by jury. and shall extend to all cases at law, without regard to the amount in controversy; but a jury trial may be waived by the parties in all cases, in the manner prescribed by law.

SEC. 8. No person shall be held to answer a criminal charge unless on the presentment or indictment of grand jury, except in cases of impeachment or cases such as Exceptions. the General Assembly shall make cognizable by justices of the peace, and courts of similar jurisdiction; or cases arising in the army and navy of the United States; or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger; and No person to be twice put in jeop-no person, for the same offense, shall be twice put in jeoperdy for same offense. of life or liberty; but if, in any criminal prosecution, the jury be divided in opinion, the court before which the trial shall be had, may, in its discretion, discharge the jury, and commit or bail the accused for trial, at the same or the next term of said court; nor shall any person be compelled, in any crimi-

No person to be held to answer for crime, but on prea sentment or in-

to be witness against himself. Security for life, liberty, and property. Right to bail.

Or be compelled nal case, to be a witness against himself; nor be deprived of life, liberty or property, without due process of law. persons shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses, when the proof is evident or the presumption great.

Excessive bail and fines, cruel punishments, and detention of wit-nesses, prohibi-ted.

Sec. 9. Excessive bail shall not be required; nor shall excessive fines be imposed; nor shall cruel or unusual punishment be inflicted; nor witnesses be unreasonably detained.

Rights of acprosecutions.

Sec. 10. In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the county in which the crime shall have been committed; provided that the venue may be changed to any other county of the judicial district in which the indictment is found, upon the application of the accused, in such manner as now is, or may be prescribed by law; and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation against him, and to have a copy thereof; and to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor; and to be heard by himself and his counsel.

Habeas corpus.

Sec. 11. The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended; except by the General Assembly, in case of rebellion, insurrection, or invasion, when the public safety may require it.

Suspension of the

Sec. 12. No power of suspending or setting the law or laws of the State, shall ever be exersised, except by the General Assembly.

Redress of Sec. 13. Every person is entitled to a certain remedy wrongs. in the laws for all injuries or wrongs he may receive in his person, property or character; he ought to obtain justice freely, and without purchase; completely and without denial; promptly and without delay; conformably to the laws.

Treason. Sec. 14. Treason against the State shall only consist in levying and making war against the same, or in adhering to its enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court.

SEC. 15. The right of the people of this State to Security against unreasonable be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against secures and unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated; and no warrant shall issue, except upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the person or thing to be seized.

SEC. 16. No person shall be imprisoned for debt in Imprisonment for debt prohibany civil action, on mesne or final process, unless in cases ited.

SEC. 17. No bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or Attainder, laws ex post facto, impairing the obligation of contracts shall ever be tracts, etc., propassed; and no conviction shall work corruption of blood or forfeiture of estate.

SEC. 18. The General Assembly shall not grant to Equality of privileges, and imany citizen, or class of citizens, privileges or immunities. which, upon the same terms, shall not equally belong to all citizens.

Sec. 19. Perpetuities and monopolies are contrary perpetuities, monopolies, and to the genius of a republic, and shall not be allowed; inclinations, hibited, hibited, hibited.

nor shall any hereditary emoluments, privileges or honors ever be granted or conferred in this State.

SEC. 20. No distinction shall ever be made by Resident aliens. law, between resident aliens and citizens, in regard to the possession, enjoyment, or descent of property.

Sec. 21. No person shall be taken or imprisoned, Life, liberty, or dissiezed of his estate, freehold, liberties or privileges; how secured. or outlawed, or in any manner destroyed, or deprived of his life, liberty, or property; except by the judgment of

Banishment his peers, or the law of the land; nor shall any person, under any circumstances, be exiled from the State.

Private property taken for public use.

SEC. 22. The right of property is before and higher than any constitutional sanction; and private property shall not be taken, appropriated or damaged for public use, without just compensation therefor.

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State's right of Sec. 23. The State's ancient right of eminent domain and of taxation, and of taxation, is herein fully and expressly conceded;

Delegation taxing power.

of and the General Assembly may delegate the taxing power, with the necessary restriction, to the State's subordinate political and municipal corporations, to the extent of providing for their existence, maintenance and well being, but no further.

Right of religious liberty.

SEC. 24. All men have a natural and indefeasible right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own consciences; no man can, of right, be compelled to attend, erect, or support any place of worship; or to maintain any ministry against his consent. No human authority can, in any case or manner whatsoever, control or interfere with the right of conscience; and no preference shall ever be given, by law, to any religious establishment,

Protection of religious liberty. Sec. 25. Religion, morality and knowledge being essential to good government, the General Assembly shall enact suitable laws to protect every religious denomination in the peaceable enjoyment of its own mode of public worship.

denomination or mode of worship, above any other.

Religious tosts Sec. 26. No religious test shall ever be required of any person as a qualification to vote or hold office; nor shall any person be rendered incompetent to be a witness

Oaths or affirm- on account of his religious belief; but nothing herein shall be ations not to be dispensed with. construed to dispense with oaths or affirmations.

Involuntary servitude, except for crime. Prohi- nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for Standing army. crime. No standing army shall be kept in time of peace;

the military shall, at all times, be in strict subordination to Military subordinate to civil the civil power; and no soldier shall be quartered in any quartering of thouse, or on any premises, without the consent of the owner, in time of peace; nor in time of war, except in a manner prescribed by law.

SEC. 28. All lands in this State are declared to be Tenure of lands. allodial; and feudel tenures of every description, with all their incidents, are prohibited.

SEC. 29. This enumeration of rights shall not be This enumeration of rights not construed to deny or disparage others retained by the disparage other rights people; and to guard against any encroachments on the Paramount authority of Derights herein retained, or any transgression of any of the Rights and of Constitution. higher powers herein delegated, we declare that everything in this article is excepted out of the general powers of the government; and shall forever remain inviolate; and that all laws contrary thereto, or to the other provisions herein contained shall be void.

## ARTICLE III.

FRANCHISE AND ELECTIONS.

SEC. 1. Every male citizen of the United States, or Qualifications of male person who has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the same, of the age of twenty one years, who has resided in the State twelve months, and in the county six months, and in the voting precinct or ward one month, next preceding any election, where he may propose to vote, shall be entitled to vote at all elections by the people.

Sec. 2. Elections shall be free and equal. No power, Freedom of electivil or military, shall ever interfere to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage; nor shall any law be Right of suffrage enacted, whereby the right to vote at any election shall be previous registration. made to depend upon any previous registration of the elector's name; or whereby such right shall be impaired or for-Or impairable except on confeited, except for the commission of a felony at common law, ony.

Elections to be Sec. 3. All elections by the people shall be by bal-Numbering of lot. Every ballot shall be numbered in the order in which it shall be received, and the number recorded by the election

officers, on the list of voters opposite the name of the elector

Secrecy of the who presents the ballot. The election officers shall be sworn or affirmed not to disclose how any elector shall have voted, unless required to do so as witnesses in a judicial proceeding, or a proceeding to contest an election.

Privilege of electors. Sec. 4. Electors shall, in all cases (except treason, felony and breach of the peace,) be privileged from arrest during their attendance at elections, and going to and from the same.

Idiots and in- Sec. 5. No idiot or insane person shall be entitled to the privileges of an elector.

Corrupt violation of election laws to disqual-laws to disqualified from holding any office of trust, or profit in this State.

U. S. soldiers, Sec. 7. No soldier, sailor, or marine, in the milsailors, and
itary or naval service of the United States, shall acquire
a residence by reason of being stationed on duty in this
State.

Time of holding general elections shall be held biennially, on the first monday of September; but the General Assembly may by law, fix a different time.

Testimony in Cases of contested elections and in protested elections. ceedings for the investigation of elections, no person shall be permitted to withhold his testimony on the ground that it may criminate himself, or subject him to public infamy; but such testimony shall not be used against him in any judicial proceeding, except for perjury in giving such testimony.

Causes of disqualification as election officer. Who shall hold, at the time of the election,

any office, appointment, or employment in or under the government of the United States, or of this State, or in any city or county or any municipal board, commission or trust in any city, save only the justices of the peace, and aldermen, notaries public, and persons in the militia service of the State. Nor shall any election officer be eligible to any civil office to be filled at an election at which he shall serve-save only to such subordinate municipal or local offices, below the grade of city or county officers, as shall be designated by general law.

SEC. 11. If the officers of any election shall unlaw-votes fully refuse or fail to receive, count or return the vote counted on trial or ballot of any qualified elector, such vote or ballot shall nevertheless be counted upon the trial of any conte[n]st arising out of said election.

ly refused, to be

SEC. 12. All elections by persons acting in a repre-Elections by parties represen-tative. sentative capacity shall be viva voce.

#### ARTICLE IV.

DEPARTMENTS.

SEC. 1. The powers of the government of the State Departments of Arkansas shall be divided into three distinct departments, each of them to be confided to a separate body of magistracy, to wit: Those which are legislative, to one; those which are executive, to another; and those which are judicial to another.

SEC. 2. No person or collection of persons, of one of these departments, shall exercise any power belonging to either of the others, except in the instances hereinafter expressly directed or permitted.

being Separation of departments.

## ARTICLE V.

#### LEGISLATIVE.

General Assem-Section 1. The legislative power of this State shall be bly. vested in a General Assembly, which shall consist of the Senate and House of Representatives.

House of Representatives. Sec. 2. The House of Representatives shall of members to be chosen every second year by the qualified electors of the several counties.

SEC. 3. The Senate shall consist of members to be Senate. chosen every four years, by the qualified electors of the several districts. At the first session of the Senate, the Senators shall divide themselves into two classes, by lot, and the first class shall hold their places for two years only, after which all shall be elected for four years.

Sec. 4. No person shall be a Senator or Representative who, at the time of his election, is not a citizen of the United States, nor any one who has not been for two years next preceding his election, a resident of this State, and for one year next preceding his election, a resident of the county or district whence he may be chosen. Senators

shall be at least twenty five years of age, and Representatives

at least twenty one years of age.

SEC. 5. The General Assembly shall meet at the seat Times of meeting. of government every two years, on the first tuesday after the second monday in November, until said time be altered by law.

Sec. 6. The Governor shall issue writs of election. Vacancies. to fill such vacancies as shall occur in either house of the General Assembly.

Qualifications of Senators and Representatives.

SEC. 7. No judge of the Supreme, Circuit or infe-Officers ineligible rior courts, of law or equity, Secretary of State, Attorney sembly. General for the State, Auditor or Treasurer, Recorder, clerk of any court of record, sheriff, coroner, member of Congress, nor any other person holding any lucrative office under the United States or this State, (militia officers, Justices of the peace, postmasters, officers of public schools and notaries excepted), shall be eligible to a seat in either house of the General Assembly.

to General

Sec. 8. No person who now is, or shall be hereafter, Holders of public money, a collector or holder of public money, nor any assistant til settlement, or deputy of such holder or collector of public money, shall be eligible to a seat in either house of the General Assembly, nor to any office of trust or profit, until he shall have accounted for and paid over, all sums for which he may have been liable.

SEC. 9. No person hereafter convicted of embezzle-Conviction of inment of public money, bribery, forgery, or other infamous fice. crime, shall be eligible to the General Assembly or capable of holding any office of trust or profit in this State.

famous crime to disqualify for of-

Sec. 10. No Senator or Representative shall, during Senator or Representative disresentative disthe term for which he shall have been elected, be ap-office. pointed or elected to any civil office under this State.

SEC. 11. Each house shall appoint its own officers, Each and shall be sole judge of the qualifications, returns and elections, etc., of its own members. A majority of all the members quere. elected to each house shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as each house shall provide.

house

SEC. 12. Each house shall have the power to de-Rules. termine the rules of its proceedings; and punish its mem-Punishment bers or other persons, for contempt or disorderly behavior in its presence; enforce obedience to its process; to protect its Enforcement of

Protection of members.

Expulsion of

members against violence or offers of bribes, or private solicitations; and, with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member; but not a second time for the same cause. A member expelled for corruption shall not, thereafter, be eligible to either house; and punishment for contempt, or disorderly behavior, shall not bar an indictment for the same offense.

Each house shall keep a journal of its proceedings; and, from

Journal.

time to time, publish the same, except such parts as require Yeas and nays. secrecy; and the yeas and nays, on any question, shall, at the desire of any five members, be entered on the journals.

Proceedings to be

public.

SEC. 13. The sessions of each house, and of committees of the whole, shall be open, unless when the business is such as ought to be kept secret.

Elections by joint or concurrent vote.

SEC. 14. Whenever an officer, civil or military, shall be appointed by the joint or concurrent vote of both houses or by the separate vote of either house of the General Assembly, the vote shall be taken *viva voce* and entered on the journals.

Privileges of Senators and Representatives.

SEC. 15. The members of the General Assembly shall, in all cases except treason, felony, and breach, or surety of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at the sessions of their respective houses; and, in going to, and returning from the same; and, for any speech or debate in either house, they shall not be questioned in any other place.

Pay and mileage.

SEC. 16. The members of the General Assembly shall receive such per diem pay and mileage for their services, as shall be fixed by law. No member of either house shall, during the term for which he has been elected, receive any increase of pay for his services, under any law passed during such term. The term of all members of the General Assembly shall begin on the day of their election.

Term to begin with election.

Duration of sessions. Sec. 17. The regular biennial sessions shall not exceed sixty days in duration; unless by a vote of two-thirds of

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the members elected to each house of said General Assembly. Provided, that this section shall not apply to the first session of the General Assembly under this Constitution, or when impeachments are pending.

SEC. 18. Each house, at the beginning of every regular Presiding officers. session of the General Assembly, and whenever a vacancy may occur; shall elect from its members a presiding officer, to be styled, respectively, the President of the Senate, president of Senate to succeed to and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and whenever, at the close of any session, it may appear that the term of the member elected President of the Senate will expire before the next regular session, the Senate shall elect another President from those members whose terms of office continue over, who shall qualify and remain President of the Senate until his successor may be elected and qualified; and who, in the case of a vacancy in the office of Governor, shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of Governor, as elsewhere herein provided.

SEC. 19. The style of the laws of the State of Arkansas Style of laws. shall be: "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas."

SEC. 20. The State of Arkansas shall never be made State not to be defendant in any of her courts.

Sec. 21. No law shall be passed except by [by] bill, and Laws to be by bill. no bill shall be so altered or amended on its passage through Amendment of cither house, as to change its original purpose.

Sec. 22. Every bill shall be read at length, on three Passage of bills. different days, in each house; unless the rules be suspended by two-thirds of the house, when the same may be read a second or third time on the same day; and no bill shall become a law unless, on its final passage, the vote be taken by yeas and nays; the names of the persons voting for and against the same be entered on the journal; and a majority of each house be recorded thereon as voting in its

Revival, amend-ment, and exten-sion, of laws.

Sec. 23. No law shall be revived, amended, or the provisions thereof extended or conferred, by reference to its title only; but [but] so much thereof as is revived, amended, extended or conferred, shall be reenacted and published at length. .

Classos of special legislation prohibited.

Sec. 24. The General Assembly shall not pass any local or special law changing the venue in criminal cases; changing the names of persons, or adopting or legitimating children; granting divorces; vacating roads, streets or alleys.

Restriction special legisla-

Sec. 25. In all cases where a general law can be made applicable, no special law shall be enacted; nor shall the operation of any general law be suspended by the legislature for the benefit of any particular individual, corporation, or association; nor where the courts have jurisdiction to grant the powers, or the privileges, or the relief asked for.

Publication of notice of local and special bills.

Sec. 26. No local or special bill shall be passed, unless notice of the intention to apply therefor, shall have been published, in the locality where the matter or the thing to be affected may be situated; which notice shall be, at least, thirty days prior to the introduction into the General Assembly of such bill, and in the manner to be provided by law. The evidence of such notice having been published, shall be exhibited in the General Assembly before such act shall be passed.

Extra compensatractors.

Appropriations for claims, in matters not pro-vided for by pre-existing laws.

Sec. 27. No extra compensation shall be made tion to officers, agents, employee or contractor, after the serployee, and con- any officer, agent, employe or contractor, after the service shall have been rendered, or the contract made; nor shall any money be appropriated or paid on any claim, the subject matter of which shall not have been provided for by preexisting laws; unless such compensation or claim, be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly.

SEC. 28. Neither house shall, without the consent of Adjournment. the other, adjourn for more than three days; nor to any other place than that in which the two houses shall be sitting.

SEC. 29. No money shall be drawn from the treasury Appropriations except in pursuance of specific appropriation made by limited to two years. law, the purpose of which shall be distinctly stated in the bill, and the maximum amount which may be drawn shall be specified in dollars and cents; and no appropriations shall be for a longer period than two years.

SEC. 30. The general appropriation bill shall embrace General and special approprinothing but appropriations for the ordinary expense of the executive, legislative and judicial departments of the State; all other appropriations shall be made by separate bills each embracing but one subject.

ation bills

SEC. 31. No State tax shall be allowed, or appropria-Requisites to altion of money made, except to raise means for the tax and appropriations of money made. payment of the just debts of the State, for defraying the necessary expenses of government, to sustain common schools, to repel invasion and suppress insurrection, except by a majority of two-thirds of both houses of the General Assembly.

Sec. 32. No act of the General Assembly shall limit Redress for injuthe amount to be recovered for injuries resulting in death, property. or for injuries to persons or property; and, in case of death from such injuries, the right of action shall survive, and the General Assembly shall prescribe for whose benefit such action shall be prosecuted.

SEC. 33. No obligation or liability of any railroad, Liabilities of coror other corporation held or owned by this State shall State. ever be exchanged, transferred, remitted, postponed, or in any way diminished by the General Assembly; nor shall such liability or obligation be released, except by payment thereof into the State treasury.

Bills not to be introduced during last three days of session,

Sec. 34. No new bill shall be introduced into either house during the last three days of the session.

Bribery of offi-

SEC. 35. Any person who shall, directly or indirectly, offer, give or promise any money, or thing of value, testimonial, privilege or personal advantage to any executive or judicial officer, or member of the General Assembly; and any such executive or judicial officer, or member of the General Assembly, who shall receive or consent to receive any such consideration, either directly or indirectly, to influence his action in the performance or non-performance of his public or official duty, shall be guilty of a felony, and be punished accordingly.

Expulsion of member no bar to indictment.

SEC. 36. Proceedings to expel a member for a criminal offense, whether successful or not, shall not bar an indictment and punishment, under the criminal laws, for the same offense.

#### ARTICLE VI.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Executive officers. Section 1. The (ex)ecutive department of this State shall consist of a Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State,

Offices to be at Auditor of State, and Attorney General; all of whom shall ment.

Terms of office. keep their offices in person at the seat of government and hold their offices for the term of two years, and until their

Commissioner of successors are elected and qualified; and the General Assembly may provide by law for the establishment of the office of Commissioner of State Lands.

Governor. Sec. 2. The supreme executive power of this State shall be vested in a chief magistrate, who shall be styled "the Governor of the State of Arkansas."

Election of executive officers.

SEC. 3. The Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney General shall be elected by the qualified electors of the State at large, at

Assembly; the returns of each election therefor shall be Returns. sealed up separately and transmitted to the seat of government by the returning officers, and directed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives; who shall, during the first Declaration election. week of the session, open and publish the votes cast and given for each of the respective officers hereinbefore mentioned, in the presence of both houses of the General Assembly. The person having the highest number of votes, for each of the respective offices, shall be declared duly elected thereto; but if two or more shall be equal, and highest in case of tie. votes for the same office, one of them shall be chosen by the joint vote of both houses of the General Assembly, and a majority of all the members elected shall be necessary to a choice.

- SEC. 4. Contested elections for Governor, Secretary Contested elections for Estate, Auditor of State, and Attive officers. torney General shall be determined by the members of both houses of the General Assembly, in joint session; who shall have exclusive jurisdiction in trying and determining the same, except as hereinafter provided in the case of special elections; and all such contests shall be tried and determined at the first session of the General Assembly after the election in which the same shall have arisen.
- SEC. 5. No person shall be eligible to the office of Qualifications of Governor except a citizen of the United States, who shall have attained the age of thirty years, and shall have been seven years a resident of this State.
- SEC. 6. The Governor shall be Commander-in-chief of Governor to be the military and naval forces of this State except when Chief. they shall be called into the actual service of the United States.
- Sec. 7. He may require information, in writing, May require information from the officers of the Executive Department, on any subtive Department.

Execution of the ject relating to the duties of their respective offices; and shall see that the laws are faithfully executed.

Mossages to General Assembly.

SEC. 8. He shall give to the General Assembly, from time to time, and at the close of his official term, to the next General Assembly, information, by message, concerning the condition and government of the State; and recommend for their consideration such measures as he may deem expedient.

Great Seal of the State Seal of the State shall be kept by the Governor, used by him officially and called the "Great Seal of the State of Arkansas."

Grants and commissions.

SEC. 10. All grants and commissions shall be issued in the name, and by the authority of the State of Arkansas; sealed with the great seal of the State; signed by the Governor, and attested by the Secretary of State.

Persons incligible to office of Governor.

SEC. 11. No member of Congress, or other person holding office under the authority of this State, or of the United States, shall exercise the office of Governor, except as herein provided.

Death, conviction on impeachment, or other disability, of Governor.

SEC. 12. In case of the death, conviction on impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation, absence from the State, or other disability of the Governor, the powers, duties, and emoluments of the office for the remainder of the term, or until the disability be removed, or a Governor elected and qualified, shall devolve upon, and accrue, to the President of the Senate.

Impeachment or other disability of President of Senate, acting as Governor.

SEC. 13. If, during the vacancy of the office of Governor, the President of the Senate shall be impeached, removed from office, refuse to qualify, resign, die, or be absent from the State; the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall, in like manner, administer the government.

Election to fill vacancy in office of Governor.

SEC. 14. Whenever the office of Governor shall have become vacant by death, resignation, removal from office or otherwise, provided such vacancy shall not happen within twelve months next before the expiration of the term

of office for which the late Governor shall have been elected, the President of the Senate or Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, exercising the powers of Governor for the time being, shall immediately cause an election to be held to fill such vacancy, giving, by proclamation, sixty days previous notice thereof, which election shall be governed by the same rules prescribed for general elections of Governor as far as applicable; the returns shall be made Returns. to the Secretary of State, and the acting Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney General, shall constitute a board of canvassers, a majority of whom shall compare said returns, and declare who is elected; and if there be a contested elec-contested tion, it shall be decided as may be provided by law.

Sec. 15. Every bill which shall have passed both Bills to be presented to dovhouses of the General Assembly, shall be presented to the ernor for approv-Governor; if he approve it, he shall sign it; but if he shall Proceedings not approve it, he shall return it, with his objections, to the house in which it originated; which house shall enter the objections at large upon their journal, and proceed to reconsider it. If, after such reconsideration, a majority of the whole number elected to that house, shall agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, with the objections, to the other house; by which, likewise, it shall be reconsidered; and, if approved by a majority of the whole number elected to that house, it shall be a law; but in such cases, the votes of both houses, shall be determined by "yeas and nays;" and the names of the members voting for or against the bill, shall be entered on the journals. If any bill shall not be returned by the Bill not returned within five days, Governor within five days, sunday excepted, after it shall to become a have been presented to him, the same shall be a law in like manner as if he had signed it; unless the General Assembly, Bills passed during last five days by their adjournment, prevent its return; in which case it of session. shall become a law, unless he shall file the same, with his

objections, in the office of the Secretary of State, and give

notice thereof, by public proclamation, within twenty days after such adjournment.

Concurrent ders and resolu-tions to be pre-sented to Governor for approval.

Proceedings case of veto.

SEC. 16. Every order or resolution in which the concurrence of both houses of the General Assembly may be necessary, except on questions of adjournment, shall be pre-

sented to the Governor, and, before it shall take effect, be in approved by him; or, being disapproved, shall be repassed by both houses, according to the rules and limitations prescribed in the case of a bill.

Veto of items of appropriation bills.

Sec. 17. The Governor shall have power to disapprove any item or items, of any bill making appropriation of money, embracing distinct items; and the part or parts of

Proceedings such case.

in the bill approved shall be the law; and the item or items of appropriations disapproved, shall be void unless repassed according to the rules and limitations prescribed for the passage of other bills over the executive veto.

General pardon-ing power

Sec. 18. In all criminal and penal cases, except in those of treason and impeachment, the Governor shall have power to grant reprieves, commutations of sentence, and pardons, after conviction; and to remit fines and forfeitures, under such

son.

Pardoning power rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by law. In cases in cases of treaof treason, he shall have power, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to grant reprieves and pardons; and he may, in the recess of the Senate, respite the sentence until the adjournment of the next regular session of the General

bly.

Information con- Assembly. He shall communicate to the General Assembly cerning pardons, etc., to be com-municated to at every regular session each case of reprieve, commutation the total description of the state of the General Assembly. or pardon, with his reasons therefor; stating the name and crime of the convict, the sentence, its date, and the date of the commutation, pardon or reprieve.

Extra sessions of fleneral Assem-bly, and convo-cation elsewhere than at seat of government.

SEC. 19. The Governor may, by proclamation on extraordinary occasions, convene the General Assembly at the seat of government, or at a different place, if that shall have become, since their last adjournment, dangerous from an

term.

enemy or contagious disease; and he shall specify in his proclamation the purpose for which they are convened; and no other business than that set forth therein shall be transacted until the same shall have been disposed of; after which they may, by a vote of two thirds of all the members elected to both houses, entered upon their journals, remain in session not exceeding fifteen days.

SEC. 20. In cases of disagreement between the two houses case of disagreeof the General Assembly, at a regular or special session, with time of adjournment. respect to the time of adjournment, the Governor may, if the facts be certified to him by the presiding officers of the two houses, adjourn them to a time not beyond the day of their next meeting; and on account of danger from an enemy or disease, to such other place of safety as he may think proper.

The Secretary of State shall keep a full and Duties of Secretary of State. accurate record of all the official acts and proceedings of the Governor; and, when required, lay the same with all papers, minutes and vouchers relating thereto, before either branch of the General Assembly. He shall also discharge the duties Superintendent of Public Instrucof Superintendent of Public Instruction, until otherwise tion. provided by law.

Sec. 22. The Treasurer of State, Secretary of State, Audi-Duties of other officers of Executor of State, and Attorney General shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by law; they shall not hold any other Their disqualificaoffice or commission, civil or military, in this State or under any State, or the United States, or any other power, at one and the same time; and in case of vacancy occurring in any Vacatacies in of said offices, by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor shall fill said office by appointment for the unexpired

tion to hold other office.

SEC. 23. When any office, from any cause, may become Vacancies in vacant, and no mode is provided by the constitution and laws where provided for. for filling such vacancy, the Governor shall have the power to fill the same by granting a commission, which shall

expire when the person elected to fill said office, at the next general election, shall be duly qualified.

#### ARTICLE VII.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Judicial power, where vested. Section 1. The judicial power of the State shall be vested in one Supreme Court; in circuit courts; in County and Pro-

Establishment of bate Courts; and in Justices of the Peace. The General additional courts.

Assembly may also vest such jurisdiction as may be deemed necessary in municipal corporation Courts, Courts of Common Pleas, where established; and, when deemed expedient, may establish separate courts of chancery.

Supreme Court. Sec. 2. The Supreme Court shall be composed of three Chief Justice. Judges, one of whom shall be styled Chief Justice, and quorum.

elected as such; any two of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of two Judges shall, in every case, be necessary to a decision.

Increase of number of Judges of Supreme Court.

SEC. 3. When the population of the State shall amount to one million, the General Assembly may, if deemed necessary, increase the number of Judges of the Supreme Court to five; and, on such increase, a majority of Judges shall be necessary to make a quorum or a decision.

General jurisdiction of Supreme Court.

Sec. 4. The Supreme Court, except in cases otherwise provided by this Constitution, shall have appellate jurisdiction only; which shall be coextensive with the State, under such restrictions as may from time to time be prescribed by law. It shall have a general superintending control over all inferior courts or law and equity; and, in aid of its appellate and supervisory jurisdiction, it shall have power to issue writs of error, and supersedeas, certiorari, habeas corpus, prohibition, mandamus, and quo warranto, and other remedial writs; and

Jurisdiction to hear and determine the same. Its Judges shall be conof individual Judges of Supreme Court.

Su-servators of the peace throughout the State, and shall severally have power to issue any of the aforesaid writs.

- SEC. 5. In the exercise of original jurisdiction, the Jurisdiction of Supreme Court in Supreme Court shall have power to issue writs of quo war-quo warranto. ranto to the Circuit Judges and Chancellors, when created, and to officers of Political Corporations when the question involved is the legal existence of such corporations.
- Sec. 6. A Judge of the Supreme Court shall be at least qualifications of Judges of Suthirty years of age, of good moral character, and learned in the law; a citizen of the United States, and two years a resident of the State; and who has been a practicing lawyer eight years, or whose service upon the bench of any Court of Record, when added to the time he may have practiced law, shall be equal to eight years. The Judges of the Supreme Election. Court shall be elected by the qualified electors of the State, and shall hold their offices during the term of eight years Term of office. from the date of their commissions; but at the first meeting of the Court, after the first election under this Constitution, the Judges shall, by lot, divide themselves into three classes; one of which shall hold his office for four, one for six, and the other for eight years; after which, each Judge shall be elected for a full term of eight years. A record shall be made in the court of this classification.
- SEC. 7. The Supreme Court shall appoint its Clerk and Clerk and Reporter of Supreme Reporter, who shall hold their offices for six years, subject to Term of office. removal for good cause.
- Sec. 8. The terms of the Supreme Court shall be held at Terms of preme Court. Suther seat of government, at the times that now are, or may be, provided by law.
- SEC. 9. In case all, or any of the Judges of the Supreme Special Judges of Supreme Court shall be disqualified from presiding in any cause or Court.

  causes, the Court, or the disqualified Judge, shall certify the same, to the Governor, who shall immediately commission the requisite number of men learned in the law, to sit in the trial and determination of such causes.

Compensation of Supreme Judges.

Sec. 10. The Supreme Judges shall at stated times, receive a compensation for their services to be ascertained by law, which shall not be, after the adjournment of the next General Assembly, diminished during the time for which

Their disqualification to hold other office.

they shall have been elected. They shall not be allowed any fees or perquisites of office, nor hold any office of trust or profit under the State or the United States.

Jurisdiction of Circuit Courts.

of Sec. 11. The circuit court shall have jurisdiction in all civil and criminal cases, the exclusive jurisdiction of which may not be vested in some other court provided for by this Constitution.

Terms of Circuit Sec. 12. The Circuit Courts shall hold their terms in each county, at such times and places as are, or may be, prescribed by law.

Judicial circuits. SEC. 13.

cuits, each circuit to be made up of contiguous counties, for

Judge of Circuit each of which circuits a Judge shall be elected; who, during
and be conservator of peace in
his circuit.

of the peace within the circuit for which he shall have been
elected.

The State shall be divided into convenient cir-

Superintending and appellate jurisdiction of Circuit Courts.

SEC. 14. The circuit courts shall exercise a superintending control and appellate jurisdiction over County, Probate, Court of Common Pleas, and Corporation Courts and Justices of the Peace; and shall have power to issue, hear and determine all the necessary writs to carry into effect their general and specific powers, any of which writs may be issued upon order of the Judge of the appropriate court in vacation.

Equity jurisdiction of Circuit Courts.

Sec. 15. Until the General Assembly shall deem it expedient to establish Courts of Chancery, the Circuit Courts shall have jurisdiction in matters of equity, subject to appeal to the Supreme Court, in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

SEC. 16. A Judge of the Circuit Court shall be a citizen Qualifications of Ludges of Circuit of the United States, at least twenty eight years of age, of Courts. good moral character, learned in the law, two years a resident of the State, and shall have practiced law six years, or whose service upon the bench of any court of record, when added to the time he may have practiced law, shall be equal to six years.

Sec. 17. The Judges of the Circuit Courts shall be elected Election of Judges of Circuit by the qualified electors of the several circuits, and shall Term of office. hold their offices for the term of four years.

The Judges of the Circuit Courts shall at stated compensation times, receive a compensation for their services to be ascertained by law; which shall not after the adjournment of the first session of the General Assembly, be diminished during the time for which they are elected. They shall not be allowed any fees or perquisites of office, nor hold any other Disqualification office of trust or profit under this State or the United States. office.

SEC. 19. The clerks of the Circuit Court shall be elected Clerks of Circuit Courts. Election. by the qualified electors of the several counties, for the term Term of office. of two years, and shall be ex-officio clerks, of the County To be ex officio county and Proand Probate Courts, and Recorder; provided, that in any bate Clerks, and Recorders.
Separate County having a population exceeding fifteen thousand inhabcounties. counties. itants, as shown by the last federal s(c)ensus, there shall be elected a county clerk, in like manner as clerk of the Circuit Court, who shall be ex-officio Clerk, of the Probate Court of To be ex officio said County.

SEC. 20. No Judge or Justice shall pri(e)side in the trial interest, consanguinity, etc., to disquality Judge of any cause in the event of which he may be interested, or from presiding at trial. where either of the parties shall be connected with him by consanguinity or affinity, within such degree as may be prescribed by law; or in which he may have been of counsel; or have presided in any inferior Court.

SEC. 21. Whenever the office of Judge of the Circuit Special Judges of Circuit Courts. Court of any county is vacant at the commencement of a

term of such Court, or the Judge of said Court shall fail to attend, the regular practicing attorneys in attendance on said Court, may meet at 10 o'clock A. M. on the second day of the term and elect a Judge to preside at such Court, or until the regular Judge shall appear: and if the Judge of said court shall become sick, or die, or unable to continue to hold such Court after its term shall have commenced, or shall from any cause be disqualified from presiding at the trial of any cause then pending therein, then the regular practicing attorneys in attendance on said court may in like manner, on notice from the Judge, or clerk of said Court, elect a Judge Powers of Special to preside at such Court, or to try said causes; and the

Judges.

attorney so elected shall have the same power and authority in said Court as the regular Judge would have had if present and presiding; but this authority shall cease at the close of the term at which the election shall be made. The proceedqualifica- ings shall be entered at large upon the record. The special

Their tions.

> State. The Judges of the Circuit Courts may tempor-Sec. 22. arily exchange circuits, or hold courts for each other under

> Judge shall be learned in the law, and a resident of the

such regulations as may be prescribed by law. Exchange of cir-

Sec. 23. Judges shall not charge Juries with regard to matters of fact, but shall declare the law; and, in jury trials shall reduce their charge or instructions to writing, on the request of either party.

Prosecuting At-

The qualified electors of each circuit shall elect a Prosecuting Attorney, who shall hold his office for the term

Term of office. Qualifications.

of two years; and he shall be a citizen of the United States, learned in the law, and a resident of the circuit for which he may be elected.

Judges prohibi-ted from practis-ing law.

SEC. 25. The Judges of the Supreme, Circuit, or Chancery Courts shall not, during their continuance in office, practice law, or appear as counsel in any court-State or Federalwithin this State.

SEC. 26. The General Assembly shall have power to Contempts not in presence of court regulate, by law, the punishment of Contempts; not committed of disobedience of process.

in the presence or hearing of the Courts, or in disobedience of process.

SEC. 27. The Circuit Court shall have jurisdiction upon Removal of county information, presentment or indictment, to remove any officers.

county or township officer from office for incompetency, corruption, gross immorality, criminal couduct, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in office.

SEC. 28. The county courts shall have exclusive original Jurisdiction of jurisdiction in all matters relating to county taxes, roads, bridges, ferries, paupers, bastardy, vagrants, the apprenticeship of minors, the disbursement of money for county purposes, and in every other case that may be necessary to the internal improvement and local concerns of the respective counties. The County Court shall be held by one Judge, County Court to be held by one judge.

SEC. 29. The Judge or the County Court shall be elected Judges of County. by the qualified electors of the county, for the term of two Election. Term of office. years. He shall be at least twenty five years of age, a citizen Qualifications. of the United States, a man of upright character, of good business education, and a resident of the State, for two years before his election; and a resident of the County at the time of his election, and during his continuance in office.

SEC. 30. The Justices of the Peace of each county shall quorum of the sit with and assist the County Judge in levying the county. Powers. taxes, and in making appropriations for the expenses of the county, in the manner to be prescribed by law; and the County Majority must sit. Judge, together with a majority of said Justices, shall constitute a quorum for such purposes; and in the absence of the County Judge a majority of the Justices of the Peace may constitute the Court, who shall elect one of their number to preside. The General Assembly shall regulate by law the Compulsory atmanner of compelling the attendance of such quorum.

Terms of County Sec. 31. The terms of the county courts shall be held at the times that are now prescribed for holding the Supervisors' courts, or may hereafter be prescribed by law.

Courts of Com-SEC. 32. The General Assembly may authorize the Judge of the County Court of any one or more counties, to hold severally a quarterly Court of Common Pleas, in their respective Counties; which shall be a court of record, with Jurisdiction. such jurisdiction in matters of contract and other civil matters, not involving title to real estate, as may be vested in such court.

Appeals from County Courts or County Courts or County Courts or Counts of Courts of Courts of Common Pleas, when established, may be taken to the Circuit Court under such restrictions and regulations as may be prescribed by law.

The Judge of the County Court shall be the Courts of Pro-Jurisdiction. Judge of the Court of Probate, and have such exclusive original jurisdiction in matters relative to the probate of wills, the estates of deceased persons, executors, administrators, guardians, and persons of unsound mind, and their estates, as is now vested in the Circuit Court, or may be hereafter prescribed by law. The regular terms of the Court Terms. of Probate shall be held at the times that may hereafter be prescribed by law.

Appeals from Probate Courts. Appeals may be taken from judgments and orders of the Probate Court to the Circuit Court, under such regulations and restrictions as may be prescribed by law.

Special Judges for County and Probate Courts. Whenever a Judge of the County or Probate Court may be disqualified from presiding, in any cause or causes pending in his court, he shall certify the facts to the Governor of the State, who shall thereupon commission a special Judge to preside in such cause or causes during the time said disqualification may continue, or until such cause or causes may be finally disposed of.

SEC. 37. The County Judge shall receive such compensa-Compensation of County Judge. tion for his services as presiding Judge of the County Court,

as Judge of the Court of Probate, and Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, when established, as may be provided by law. In the absence of the circuit Judge from the county, his jurisdiction the County Judge shall have power to issue orders for cuit Judge from in absence of Circuit Judge from the county.

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In the county Judge shall have power to issue orders for cuit Judge from the circuit jurisdiction; provided, that either party may have such order reviewed by any superior Judge in vacation in such manner as shall be provided by law. The County Judge shall have power, in the absence of the Circuit Judge from the county, to issue, hear and determine writs of habeas corpus, under such regulations and restrictions as shall be provided by law.

SEC. 38. The qualified electors of each township shall Justices of the Peace. Election. elect the Justices of the Peace for the term of two years; Term of office. who shall be commissioned by the Governor, and their official Commission. oath shall be indorsed on the commission.

SEC. 39. For every two hundred electors there shall be Number of Justices of the Peace; but every township, however small shall have two Justices of the Peace.

Sec. 40. They shall have original jurisdiction in the fol-Jurisdiction of the lowing matters: First—Exclusive of the Circuit Court, in Pence. Ist, Exclusive of all matters of Contract where the amount in controversy does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, excluding interest; and concurrent jurisdiction in matters of contract, where the amount in controversy, does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, exclusive of interest—Second 2d. Concurrent with Circuit—Concurrent jurisdiction in suits for the recovery of Court.

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personal property, where the value of the property does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars; and in all matters of damage to personal property where the amount in controversy does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars. Third—Such jurisdiction of misdemeanors 3d. In misdemeanors in courts as is now, or may be prescribed by law. Fourth—To sit as 4th, As examining courts and commit, discharge or recognize

offenders to the court having jurisdiction, for further trial

And to bind to and to bind persons to keep the peace or for good behavior. 5th, To issue pro- Fifth-For the foregoing purposes, they shall have power to

6th, As conserv-issue all necessary process. Sixth—They shall be con-Denied juris-servators of the peace within their respective counties. Prodiction in questions of land. vided, a Justice of the Peace shall not have jurisdiction where a lien on land, or title or possession thereto is involved.

Qualifications of Justices of the Sec. 41. A Justice of the Peace shall be a qualified Peace. elector and a resident of the township for which he is elected.

Appeals from Justices of the Peace.

Appeals may be taken from the final judgments of the Justices of the Peace, to the Circuit Courts, under such regulations as are now, or may be provided by law.

Jurisdiction o f Corporation Courts.

Sec. 43. Corporation Courts, for towns and cities, may be invested with jurisdiction concurrent with Justices of the Peace in civil and criminal matters, and the General Assembly may invest such of them as it may deem expedient with jurisdistion of any criminal offences not punishable by death, or imprisonment in the penitentiary, with or without indictment, as may be provided by law; and, until the General Assembly shall otherwise provide, they shall have the jurisdiction now provided by law.

Pulaski Chancery Court.

The Pulaski Chancery Court shall continue in existence until abolished by law or the business pending at the adoption of this Constitution shall be disposed of, or the

Term of office of pending business be transferred to other courts. The Judge Judge and Clerk. and clerk of said Court shall hold office for the term of two

Election.

years; and shall be elected by the qualified voters of the

Proceedings rela-State. All suits and proceedings which relate to sixteenth section Lands, tion lands, on to make the formula on the manufacture of the country of the coun tion lands, or to money due for said lands shall be transferred to the respective counties, where such lands are located, in such manner as shall be provided by the General Assembly at the next session.

SEC. 45. The Separate Criminal Courts established in this Separate Criminal Courts abolished, and all the jurisd(ic)tion exerting to the Circuit Courts to Circuit Courts to Circuit Courts of the respective counties; and all causes now pending therein are hereby transferred to said Circuit Courts respectively. It shall be the duty of the clerks of said Criminal Their records. Courts to transfer all the records, books and papers pertaining to said Criminal Courts to the Circuit Courts of their respective counties.

SEC. 46. The qualified electors of each county shall elect County executive one Sheriff, who shall be ex-officio collector of taxes, unless otherwise provided by law; one Assessor, one Coroner, one Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio treasurer of the common school fund of the county, and one County Surveyor; for the Term of office. term of two years, with such duties as are now or may be prescribed by law: Provided, that no per centum shall Compensation of ever be paid to Assessors upon the valuation or assessment of property by them.

SEC. 47. The qualified electors of each township shall Constables. elect a Constable, for the term of two years, who shall be further sions. commissioned by the presiding Judge of the County Court, with a certificate of election, on which his official oath shall be inclosed.

SEC. 48. All officers provided for in this article, except Commissions of Constables, shall be commissioned by the Governor.

SEC. 49. All writs and other judicial process, shall run in Style of process and indictments. the name of the State of Arkansas, bear test and be signed by the clerks of the respective courts from which they issue.

Indictments shall conclude: "Against the peace and dignity of the State of Arkansas."

SEC. 50. All vacancies occurring in any office provided Vacancies in offices provided for for in this article, shall be filled by special election; save that in Art. VII. in case of vacancies occurring in county and township offices six months, and in other offices nine months, before the next

general election, such vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Governor.

Appeals in cases of allowances for or against counties, cities, or towns.

ses Sec. 51. That in all cases of allowances made for or or against counties, cities, or towns, an appeal shall lie to the circuit court of the county, at the instance of the party aggrieved, or on the intervention of any citizen or resident and tax payer of such county, city or town, on the same terms and conditions on which appeals may be granted to the circuit court in other cases; and the matter pertaining to any such allowance shall be tried in the circuit court de novo. In

Appeal bond.

case an appeal be taken by any citizen, he shall give a bond, payable to the proper county, conditioned to prosecute the appeal, and save the county from costs on account of the same being taken.

Contested election for county, township, or municipal officers.

Sec. 52. That in all cases of contest for any County, township, or municipal office, an appeal shall lie at the instance of the party aggrieved, from any inferior board, council, or tribunal to the circuit court, on the same terms and conditions on which appeals may be granted to the circuit court in other cases, and on such appeals the case shall be tried de novo.

## ARTICLE VIII.

APPORTIONMENT.

Number of Representatives. Section 1. The House of Representatives shall consist of not less than seventy three, nor more than one hundred

Ratio of sentation. Each county now organized shall always be entitled to one Representative; the remainder to be apportioned the several counties according to the number of adult male inhabitants, taking two thousand as the ratio, until the number of Representatives amounts to one hundred, when they shall not be further increased, but the ratio of representation shall, from time to time, be increased as hereinafter pro-

vided: so that the Representatives shall never exceed that number. And until the enumeration of the inhabitants is Apportionment of Representataken by the United States government, A. D. 1880, the Representatives shall be apportioned among the several counties as follows:

The county of Arkansas shall elect one Representative. The county of Ashley shall elect one Representative. The county of Benton shall elect two Representatives. The county of Boone shall elect one Representative. The county of Bradley shall elect one Representative. The county of Baxter shall elect one Representative. The county of Calhoun shall elect one Representative. The county of Carroll shall select one Representative. The county of Chicot shall elect one Representative. The county of Columbia shall elect two Representatives. The county of Clark shall elect two Representatives. The county of Conway shall elect one Representative. The county of Craighead shall elect one Representative. The county of Crawford shall elect one Representative. The county of Cross shall elect one Representative. The county of Crittenden shall elect one Representative. The county of Clayton shall elect one Representative. The county of Dallas shall elect one Representative. The county of Desha shall elect one Representative. The county of Drew shall elect one Representative. The county of Dorsey shall elect one Representative. The county of Franklin shall elect one Representative. The county of Fulton shall elect one Representative. The county of Faulkner shall elect one Representative. The county of Grant shall elect one Representative. The county of Green shall elect one Representative. The county of Garland shall elect one Representative. The county of Hempstead shall elect two Representative. The county of Hot Spring shall elect one Representative. The county of Howard shall elect one Representative. The county of Independence shall elect two

Representatives. The county of Izard shall elect one Representative. The county of Jackson shall elect one Representative. The county of Jefferson shall elect three Representatives. The county of Johnson shall elect one Representative. The county of Lafayette shall elect one Representative. The county of Lawrence shall elect one Representative. The county of Little River shall elect one Representative. The county of Lonoke shall elect two Representatives. The county of Lincoln shall elect one Representative. The county of Lee shall elect two Representatives. The county of Madison shall elect one Representative. The county of Marion shall elect one Representative. The county of Monroe shall elect one Representative. The county of Montgomery shall elect one Representative. The county of Mississippi shall elect one Representative. The county of Nevada shall elect one Representative. The county of Newton shall elect one Representative. The county of Ouachita shall elect two Representatives. The county of Perry shall elect one Representative. The county of Phillips shall elect three Representatives. The county of Pike shall elect one Representative. The county of Polk shall elect one Representative. The county of Pope shall elect one Representative. The county of Poinsett shall elect one Representative. The county of Pulaski shall elect four Representatives. The county of Prairie shall elect one Representative. The county of Randolph shall elect one Representative. The county of Saline shall elect one Representative. The county of Sarber shall elect one Repesentative. The county of Scott shall elect one Representative. The county of Searcy shall elect one Representative. The county of Sebastian shall elect two Representatives. The county of Sevier shall elect one Representative. The county of St. Francis shall elect one Representative. The county of Stone shall elect one Representative. The county of Union shall elect two Representatives. The county of Van Buren shall elect one Representative. The county of Washington shall elect three Representatives. The county of White shall elect two Representatives. The county of Woodruff shall elect one Representative. The county of Yell shall elect one Representative. The county of Sharp shall elect one Representative.

SEC. 2. The Legislature shall, from time to time, divide Division of State into Senatorial districts in such manner Ratio of representation in Senator that the Senate shall be based upon the adult male inhabitants of the State; each Senator representing an equal number as nearly as practicable, and until the enumeration of PRESENT SENATORIONAL DISTRICTS APPORTIONAL A. D. 1880, the districts shall be arranged as follows:

The counties of Greene, Craighead and Clayton shall com-1st District. pose the First district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Randolph, Lawrence and Sharp shall com- 2nd District. pose the Second district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Carroll, Boone and Newton shall compose and District. the Third district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Johnson and Pope shall compose the 4th District. Fourth district, and elect one Senator.

The county of Washington shall compose the Fifth dis-5th District. trict, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Independence and Stone shall compose 6th District. the Sixth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Woodruff, St. Francis Cross, and Critten-7th District. den shall compose the Seventh district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Yell and Sarber shall compose the Eighth sth District. district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Saline, Garland, Hot Spring and Grant 9th District. shall compose the Ninth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Pulaski and Perry shall compose the 10th District. Tenth district, and elect two Senators.

trict, and elect one Senator.

The county of Jefferson shall compose the Eleventh dis-

11th District.

25th District.

6th District.

12th District.	The counties of Lonoke and Prairie shall compose the
	Twelfth district, and elect one Senator.
13th District.	The counties of Arkansas and Monroe shall compose the
	Thirteenth district, and elect one Senator.
14th District.	The counties of Phillips and Lee shall compose the Four-
	teenth district, and elect one Senator.
lõth District.	The counties of Desha and Chicot shall compose the Fif-
	teenth district, and elect one Senator.
16th District.	The counties of Lincoln, Dorsey and Dallas shall compose
	the Sixteenth district, and elect one Senator.
17th District.	The counties of Drew and Ashley shall compose the Sev-
	enteenth district, and elect one Senator.
18th District.	The counties of Bradley and Union shall compose the
	Eighteenth district, and elect one Senator.
19th District.	The counties of Calhoun and Ouachita shall compose the
	Nineteenth district, and elect one Senator.
20th District.	The counties of Hempstead and Nevada shall compose the
	Twentieth district, and elect one Senator.
21st District.	The counties of Columbia and Lafayette shall compose the
	Twenty-first district, and elect one Senator.
22d District.	The counties of Little River, Sevier, Howard and Polk
	shall compose the Twenty-second district, and elect one Sen-
	ator.
23d District.	The counties of Fulton, Izard, Marion and Baxter shall
	compose the Twenty-third district, and elect one Senator.
24th District.	The counties of Benton and Madison shall compose the

Twenty-fourth district, and elect one Senator.

Twenty-fifth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Crawford and Franklin shall compose the

The counties of Van Buren, Conway and Searcy shall compose the Twenty-sixth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of White and Faulkner shall compose the 27th District. Twenty-seventh district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Sebastian and Scott shall compose the 28th District. Twenty-eighth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Poinsett, Jackson and Mississippi, shall 20th District. compose the Twenty-ninth district, and elect one Senator.

The counties of Clark, Pike and Montgomery, shall com-30th District. pose the Thirtieth district, and elect one Senator.

And the Senate shall never consist of less than thirty, nor Number of Senamore than thirty five members.

- SEC. 3. Senatorial districts shall at all times cont(s)ist of Principles of contiguous territory, and no county shall be divided in the atorial districts. formation of a Senatorial district.
- SEC. 4. The division of the State into Senatorial districts, Apportionments and the apportionment of Representatives to the several counties, shall be made by the General Assembly at the first regular session after each enumeration of the inhabitants of the State by the Federal or State government, shall have been ascertained and at no other time.

# ARTICLE IX.

#### EXEMPTION.

Section 1. The personal property of any resident of this Exemption of personal property of a family, in specific of period property of personal property and property of personal property and property of personal property and property of personal property of personal property and property of personal property and property of personal property of personal property and property of personal property and property of personal property of personal property and property of personal property of personal property and property of personal property of

SEC. 2. The personal property of any resident of this Exemption of personal property state, who is married or the head of a family, in specific arti- of heads of family.

cles to be selected by such resident, not exceeding in value the sum of five hundred dollars, in addition to his or her wearing apparel, and that of his or her family, shall be exempt from seizure on attachment, or sale on execution or other process from any court, on debt by contract.

Homestead exemption.

The homestead of any resident of this state, who is married or the head of a family, shall not be subject to the lien of any judgment or decree of any court, or to sale under execution, or other process thereon, except such as may be rendered for the purchase money, or for specific liens, laborers' or mechanics' liens for improving the same, or for taxes. or against executors, administrators, guardians, receivers, attorneys for moneys collected by them, and other trustees of an express trust, for moneys due from them in their fiduciary capacity.

Extent of exemp-

The homestead outside any city, town or village, outside of city, town, or village, owned and occupied as a residence, shall consist of not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres of land, with the improvements thereon; to be selected by the owner: Provided. The same shall not exceed in value the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, and in no event shall the homestead be reduced to less than eighty acres, without regard to value.

Extent of exemption of homestead situate in eity, town, or village.

Sec. 5. The homestead in any city, town or village, owned and occupied as a residence, shall consist of not exceeding one acre of land, with the improvements thereon, to be selected by the owner; provided, the same shall not exceed in value the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, and in no event shall such homestead be reduced to less than one quarter of an acre of land, without regard to value.

Homestead ex-emption for ben-efit of widow.

Sec. 6. If the owner of a homestead die, leaving a widow, but no children, and said widow has no separate homestead in her own right, the same shall be exempt, and the rents and

Proviso - rights profits thereof shall vest in her during her natural life; Prong minority. vided, That if the owner leaves children, one or more, said

child or children shall share with said widow, and be entitled to half the rents and profits till each of them arrives at twenty one years of age-each child's rights to cease at twenty-one years of age—and the shares to go to the younger children; and then all to go to the widow; and provided, that said widow or children may reside on the homestead or not. And in case of the death of the widow, all of said homestead shall be vested in the minor children of the testator or intestate.

The real and personal property of any femme covert Separate property of married woin this State, acquired either before or after marriage, whether by gift, grant, inheritance, devise or otherwise, shall, so long as she may choose, be and remain her separate estate and property, and may be devised, bequeathed or conveyed by her the same as if she were a femme sole; and the same shall not be subject to the debts of her husband.

- SEC. 8. The General Assembly shall provide for the time Scheduling of and mode of scheduling the separate personal property of property of marmarried women.
- The exemptions contained in the Constitution Effect of exemptions of Constitution of Constitution of 1868. of 1868, shall apply to all debts contrated since the adoption thereof, and prior to the adoption of this Constitution.

SEC. 10. The homestead provided for in this article shall Homestead emption for ben-efit of minor inure to the benefit of the minor children, under the exemp-efit of minor children. tions herein provided, after the decease of the parents.

# ARTICLE X.

AGRICULTURE, MINING, AND MANUFACTURE.

Section 1. The General Assembly shall pass such laws as Agricultural, mining and manufacturing interests of State. ing interests of the State, and may create a bureau to be Mining. known as the Mining, Manufacturing and Agricultural Agricultural Bu-Bureau.

State Geologist. Sec. 2. The General Assembly, when deemed expedient, may create the office of State Geologist, to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Term of office.

Senate, who shall hold his office for such time, and perform such duties, and receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law; Provided: That he shall be at all times subject to removal by the Governor, for incompetency or

gross neglect of duty.

Exemption from taxation, of mines and manufactures.

SEC. 3. The General Assembly may, by general law, exempt from taxation for the term of seven years from the ratification of this Constitution, the capital invested in any or all kinds of mining and manufacturing business in this State, under such regulations and restrictions as may be prescribed by law.

# ARTICLE XI.

### MILITIA.

Persons liable to male persons, residents of the State, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years; except such as may be

Organization of exempted by the laws of the United States, or this State; and shall be organized, officered, armed and equipped and trained in such manner as may be provided by law.

Volunteer companies of Infantry, Cavalry or Artillery may be formed in such manner and with such restrictions as may be provided by law.

Privilege of militia from arrest, at cases (except treason, felony and breach of the peace) be privileged from arrest during their attendance at muster and the election of officers, and in going to and returning from the same.

Authority to call out volunteers and militia. SEC. 4. The Governor shall, when the General Assembly is not in session, have power to call out the Volunteers or

Militia, or both, to execute the laws, repel invasion, repress insurrection and preserve the public peace; in such manner as may be authorized by law.

# ARTICLE XII.

MUNICIPAL AND PRIVATE CORPORATIONS.

Section 1. All existing charters or grants of special or Revocation of exexclusive privileges under which a bona fide organization and grant, for non under the string charters shall not have taken place and business been commenced in good faith, at the time of the adoption of this Constitution, shall thereafter have no validity.

SEC. 2. The General Assembly shall pass no special act Limitation of conferring corporate powers, except for charitable, educational, penal or reformatory purposes, where the corporations created are to be and remain under the patronage and control of the state.

power of

SEC. 3. The General Assembly shall provide, by general Incorporation of laws, for the organization of cities (which may be classified) and incorporated towns; and restrict their power of taxation, assessment, borrowing money, and contracting debts, so as to prevent the abuse of such power.

SEC. 4. No municipal corporation shall be authorized to Limitation of legpass any laws contrary to the general laws, of the State; nor municipal portions; and of their levy [levy] any tax on real or personal property to a greater power of extent, in one year, than five mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the same; Provided: That to pay indebt-Payment of existing indebtededness existing at the time of the adoption of this Constitution, an additional tax of not more than five mills on the dollar, may be levied.

ness.

Sec. 5. No county city, town or other municipal corporations not to action, shall become a stockholder in any company, associations as to describe the corporation of tion, or corporation; or obtain or appropriate money for, or or financially asloan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution or etc. individual.

General incorporation laws. Power of alteration.

Sec. 6. Corporations may be formed under general laws; rower of alteration and revoca- which laws may, from time to time, be altered or repealed. The General Assembly shall have the power to alter, revoke or annul any charter of incorporation now existing and revocable at the adoption of this Constitution, or any that may hereafter be created, whenever, in their opinion, it may be injurious to the citizens of this State; in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators.

State not to be interested in stock of corporations, etc.

Sec. 7. Except as herein provided, the State shall never become a stockholder in, or subscribe to, or be interested in the stock of any corporation or association.

Issue and increase of stock, etc., of private corporations.

No private corporation shall issue stocks or bonds, except for money or property actually received, or labor done; and all fictitious increase of stock or indebtedness shall be void; nor shall the stock or bonded indebtedness of any private corporation be increased, except in pursuance of general laws, nor until the consent of the persons holding the larger amount, in value, of stock, shall be obtained at a meeting held after notice given for a period not less than sixty days, in pursuance of law.

Compen sation

No property, nor right of way, shall be appropriaright of way, ta-for property, and right of way, ta-ken for use of ted to the use of any corporation, until full compensation corporations. therefor shall be first made to the owner, in money; or first secured to him by a deposit of money; which compensation, irrespective of any benefit from any improvement proposed by such corporation, shall be ascertained by a jury of twelve men, in a court of competent jurisdiction, as shall be prescribed by law.

Sec. 10. No act of the General Assembly shall be passed Legislation 9.11thorizing issue of circulating paper, authorizing the issue of bills, notes, or other paper which may circulate as money.

Foreign corporations.

Sec. 11. Foreign corporations may be authorized to do business in this State, under such limitations and restrictions as may be prescribed by law; Provided: That no such corporation shall do any business in this State, except while it maintains therein one or more known places of business, and an authorized agent or agents in the same, upon whom process may be served; and, as to contracts made or business done in this State, they shall be subject to the same regulations, limitations and liabilities as like corporations of this State: and shall exercise no other or greater powers, privileges or franchises than may be exercised by like corporations of this State; nor shall they have power to condemn or appropriate private property.

SEC. 12. Except as herein otherwise provided, the State state not to assume liabilities shall never assume, or pay the debt or liability of any county, of counties of counties of counties of counties of counties of the counties of the public welfare and defense. Nor shall the indebtedness of Indebtedness of the public welfare and defense. Nor shall the indebtedness of Indebtednes

# ARTICLE XIII.

COUNTIES, COUNTY SEATS, AND COUNTY LINES.

Section 1. No county now established shall be reduced to Mimimum limits an area of less than six hundred square miles nor to less than seribed. Seribed the thousand inhabitants; nor shall any new county be established with less than six hundred square miles and five thousand inhabitants: Provided, that this section shall not exceptions apply to the counties of Lafayette, Pope and Johnson, nor be so construed as to prevent the General Assembly from changing the line between the counties of Pope and Johnson.

Sec. 2. No part of a county shall be taken off to form a consent of voters new county, or a part thereof, without the consent of a feeted, requisite to change of majority of the voters in such part proposed to be taken off.

Sec. 3. No county seat shall be established or changed Changes of countv-seat. without the consent of a majority of the qualified voters of the county to be affected by such change, nor until the place at which it is proposed to establish or change such county

of seat shall be fully designated: Provided, That, in formation County-seats new counties. of new counties, the county seat may be located temporarily by provisions of law.

In the formation of new counties, no line thereof Lines counties. shall run within ten miles of the county seat of the county proposed to be divided, except the county seat of Lafayette county.

Division of Se-bastian County into two districts. Sec. 5. Sebastian county may have two districts, and two county seats, at which county, probate, and circuit courts shall be held as may be provided by law, each district paying its own expenses.

## ARTICLE XIV.

### EDUCATION.

Section 1. Intelligence and virtue being the safeguards Free school sysof liberty, and the bulwark of a free and good government, the State shall ever maintain a general, suitable and efficient system of free schools, whereby all persons in the state. between the ages of six and twenty one years, may receive gratuitous instruction.

set apart.

Schools funds to be used exclusively for purposes for which school fund, or to this State, for the benefit of schools or No money or property belonging to the public universities, shall ever be used for any other than for the respective purposes to which it belongs.

Sec. 3. The General Assembly shall provide, by general State school-tax. laws, for the support of Common Schools by taxes, which shall never exceed in any one year two mills on the dollar on

Poll-tax School Fund, for the taxable property of the State: and by an annual per capita tax of one dollar, to be assessed on every male inhabitant of this State over the age of twenty one years; Pro-school district vided, The General Assembly may, by general law, authorize school districts to levy, by a vote of the qualified electors of such district, a tax not to exceed five mills on the dollar in any one year for school purposes; Provided further, That no such tax shall be appropriated to any other purpose, nor to any other district than that for which it was levied.

SEC. 4. The supervision of public schools, and the execu-supervision of public schools, tion of the laws regulating the same, shall be vested in and etc. confided to, such officers as may be provided for by the General Assembly.

## ARTICLE XV.

### IMPEACHMENT AND ADDRESS.

Section 1. The Governor and all State officers, Judges of Impeachments. the Supreme and circuit courts, Chancellors and Prosecuting Attorneys, shall be liable to impeachment for high crimes and misdemeanors, and gross misconduct in office; but the Judgment. judgment shall go no further than removal from office and disqualification to hold any office of honor, trust or profit under this State. An impeachment, whether successful or not, shall be no bar to an indictment.

SEC. 2. The House of Representatives shall have the sole Power of impeachment. All impeachments shall be tried by Trial. the Senate. When sitting for that purpose, the Senators shall be upon oath or affirmation; no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members thereof. The Chief Justice shall preside, unless he is empeached or otherwise disqualified, when the Senate shall select a presiding officer.

Sec. 3. The Governor, upon the joint address of two Removal upon thirds of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly, for good cause, may remove the Auditor, Treas-

urer, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Judges of the Supreme and circuit courts, Chancellors, and Prosecuting Attorneys.

## ARTICLE XVI.

### FINANCE AND TAXATION.

Loan of public credit prohibited. or other municipality in this State shall ever loan its credit

Sec. 1. Neither the State, nor any city, county, town

bearing evidences of public indebt-edness, except to pay present debt, prohibited.

Issue of interest- for any purpose whatever. Nor shall any county, City, Town, or municipality ever issue any interest bearing evidences of indebtedness; except such bonds as may be authorized by law to provide for, and secure the payment of, the present existing indebtedness. And the State shall never issue any interest bearing Treasury warrants or scrip.

Payment of State

The General Assembly shall, from time to time, provide for the payment of all just and legal debts of the State.

Misappropriation of public moneys.

The making of profit out of public moneys, or using the same for any purpose not authorized by law, by any officer of the State, or member or officer of the General Assembly, shall be punishable as may be provided by law, but part of such punishment shall be disqualification to hold office in this State for a period of five years.

Salaries and fees.

Sec. 4. The General Assembly shall fix the salaries and fees of all officers in the State; and no greater salary or fee than that fixed by law, shall be paid to any officer, employe,

Clerks, etc., departments State.

of or other person, or at any rate other than par value; and the number and salaries of the clerks and employes of the different departments of the State shall be fixed by law.

Uniform rule of taxation.

Sec. 5. All property subject to taxation shall be taxed according to its value; that value to be ascertained in such manner as the General Assembly shall direct, making the same equal and uniform throughout the state. No one species of property, from which a tax may be collected shall be taxed higher than another species of property of equal value; Taxation of privprovided, the General Assembly shall have power, from time to time, to tax hawkers, pedlers, ferries, exhibitions and privileges, in such manner as may be deemed proper. Provided, Property exempt from taxation: Public property used exclusively for public purposes; churches used as such; Cemeteries used exclusively as such; school buildings and apparatus; Libraries and grounds used exclusively for school purposes; and buildings and grounds and materials used exclusively for public charity

- SEC. 6. All laws exempting property from taxation, other exemption by than as provided in this constitution shall be void.
- Sec. 7. The power to tax corporations and corporate pro-Taxation of corporaty, shall not be surrended or suspended, by any contract or grant to which the state may be a party.
- SEC. 8. The General Assembly shall not have power to Maximum rate of State taxes for any one year to exceed, in the aggregate, one per cent. of the assessed valuation of the property of the State for that year.
- SEC. 9. No county shall levy a tax to exceed one-half of Maximum rate one per cent. for all purposes; but may levy an additional one-half of one per cent. to pay indebtedness existing at the time of the ratification of this Constitution.
- Sec. 10. The taxes of counties, towns and cities shall only County and municipal taxes, in the payable in lawful currency of the United States, or the what payable. orders or warrants of said counties, towns and cities respectively.
- Sec. 11. No tax shall be levied except in pursuance of Levy and specific appropriation of law, and every law imposing a tax shall state distinctly the taxes. object of the same; and no moneys arising from a tax levied for one purpose shall be used for any other purpose.

Disbursements.

SEC. 12. No money shall be paid out of the treasury until the same shall have been appropriated by law; and then only in accordance with said appropriation.

Any citizen of any county, city or town may Right of citizen to sue in behalf of inhabitants of of institute suit, in behalf of himself and all others interested, county or nicipality. to protect the inhabitants thereof against the enforcement of any illegal exactions whatever.

# ARTICLE XVII.

RAILROADS, CANALS, AND TURNPIKES.

Railroads, etc., public highways, companies common carriers.
Right to construct railroads.

Sec. 1. All railroads, canals and turnpikes shall be Transportation public highways, and all railroads and canal companies shall Any association or corporation, organbe common carriers. ganized for the purpose, shall have the right to construct and operate a railroad between any points within this State, and to connect at the State line with railroads of other States. Every

connection railroads.

Intersection and railroad company shall have the right with its road to intersect, connect with, or cross any other road, and shall receive and transport, each the other's passengers, tonnage and ears, loaded or empty, without delay or discrimination.

Transportation companies to maintain office in State.

Sec. 2. Every railroad, canal or turnpike corporation operated or partly operated in this State, shall maintain one

Transfers of office therein, where transfers of its stock shall be made and Books. where its books shall be kept for inspection by any stockholder or creditor of such corporation; in which shall be recorded the amount of capital stock subscribed or paid in and the amounts owned by them respectively, the transfers of said stock and the names and places of residence of the officers.

Equal right to transportation.

All individuals, associations and corporations shall have equal right to have persons and property transported over railroads, canals and turnpikes; and no undue or unreasonable discrimination shall be made in charges for,

or in facilities for transportation, of freight or passengers within the State, or coming from, or going to, any other State. Persons and property transported over any railroad Regulation of shall be delivered at any station, at charges not exceeding the charges for transportation of persons and property of the same class, in the same direction to any more distant station. But excursion and commutation tickets may be issued at special rates.

SEC. 4. No railroad, canal or other corporation, or the Parallel or competing lines of transportation lessees, purchasers or managers of any railroad, canal, or cordated, or corporation shall consolidate the stock, property or franchises
parties. of such corporation with or lease, or purchase the works or franchises of, or in any way control any other railroad or canal corporation owning or having under its control a parallel or competing line, nor shall any officer of such railroad or canal corporation act as an officer of any other railroad or canal corporation, owning or having control of a parallel or competing line; and the question whether railroads or canals are parallel or competing lines, shall, when demanded by the party complainant, be decided by a jury as in other civil issues.

SEC. 5. No president, director, officer, agent or employe Prohibitions of any railroad or canal company, shall be interested, directly of transportation companies. or indirectly, in the furnishing of materials or supplies to such company, or in the business of transportation as a common carrier of freight or passengers over the works owned, leased, controlled or worked by such company. Nor in any arrangement which shall afford more advantageous terms, or greater facilities than are offered or accorded to the public. And all contracts and arrangements in violation of this section shall be void.

SEC. 6. No discrimination in charges, or facilities for Discrimination of transportation, shall be made between transportation companies and individuals, or in favor of either by abatement, hibited.

charges between transportation companies and individuals, proPreferences in drawback or otherwise; and no railroad or canal company, furnishing cars or motive power, or any lessee, manager or employe thereof shall make any preferences in furnishing cars or motive power.

General Assem-sembly to pre-vent grant of free

The General Assembly shall prevent by law the vent grant of free passes by any railroad or transportation compasses to officers granting of free passes by any railroad or transportation comforthe State. pany to any officer of this State, Legislative, Execut(i)ve or Judicial.

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nission of for-feiture of charter of any corporation now existing, or alter vorable to corpoor amend the same, or pass any general or special law for the benefit of such corporation, except on condition that such corporation shall thereafter hold its charter, subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

Eminent domain over property of corporations.

The exercise of the right of eminent domain shall never be abridged or so construed as to prevent the General Assembly from taking the property and franchises of incorporated companies, and subjecting them to public use—the same as the property of individuals.

Legislation prevent abuses by transportation companies.

Sec. 10. The General Assembly shall pass laws to correct abuses and prevent unjust discrimination and excessive charges by railroad, canal and turnpike companies for transporting freight and passengers, and shall provide for enforcing such laws by adequate penalties and forfeitures.

Moveable proper-

Sec. 11. The rolling stock and all other movable property rations, personal belonging to any railroad company or corporation in this Not to be exempt. State shall be considered personal property and shall be

ed from taxa-

liable to execution and sale, in the same manner as the personal property of individuals, and the General Assembly shall pass no law exempting any such property from execution and sale.

Damages, by rail-roads, to persons and property.

Sec. 12. All railroads, which are now or may be hereafter built and operated either in whole or in part in this State, shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property,

under such regulations as may be prescribed by the General Assembly.

SEC. 13. The directors of every railroad corporation shall Annual report of railroad compannually make a report under oath to the Auditor of public roise to Auditor. accounts, of all of their acts and doings, which report shall include such matters relating to railroads as may be prescribed by law, and the General Assembly shall pass laws enforcing by suitable penalties, the provisions of this section.

## ARTICLE XVIII.

JUDICIAL CIRCUITS.

Until otherwise provided by the General Assembly, the Judicial Circuits shall be composed of the following counties:

First—Phillips, Lee, St Francis, Prairie, Woodruff, White, 1st Circuit. and Monroe. Second—Mississippi, Crittenden, Cross, Poin-2d Circuit. sett, Craighead, Greene, Clayton and Randolph. Third—3d Circuit. Jackson, Independence, Lawrence, Sharp, Fulton, Izard, Stone and Baxter. Fourth—Marion, Boone, Searcy, New-4th Circuit. ton, Madison, Carroll, Benton, and Washington. Fifth—5th Circuit. Pope, Johnson, Franklin, Crawford, Sebastian, Sarber, and Yell. Sixth—Lonoke, Pulaski, Van Buren and Faulkner. 6th Circuit. Seventh—Grant, Hot Springs, Garland, Perry, Saline and 7th Circuit. Conway. Eighth—Scott, Montgomery, Polk, Howard, 8th Circuit. Sevier, Little River, Pike and Clark. Ninth—Hempstead, 9th Circuit. Lafayette, Nevada, Columbia, Union, Ouachita and Calhoun.

Tenth—Chicot, Drew, Ashley, Bradley, Dorsey, and Dallas. 10th Circuit. Eleventh—Desha, Arkansas, Lincoln and Jefferson.

11th Circuit. Until otherwise provided by the General Assembly, the Terms of Control of the Circuit.

Until otherwise provided by the General Assembly, the TERMS OF CRECUIT COURTS.

Circuit Courts shall be begun and held in the several counties as follows

#### FIRST CIRCUIT

1st Circuit.

White,—First Monday in February and August. Wood-ruff—Third Monday in February and August. Prairie—

Second Monday after the third Monday in February and August. Monroe—Sixth Monday after third Monday in February and August. St. Francis—Eight(h) Monday after the third Monday in February and August. Lee—Tenth Monday after the third Monday in February and August. Phillips—Twelfth Monday after the third Monday in February and August.

2d Circuit.

### SECOND CIRCUIT

Mississippi—First Monday in March and September. Crittenden—Second Monday in March and September. Cross—Second Monday after the second Monday in March and September. Poinsett—Third Monday after the second Monday in March and September. Craighead—Fourth Monday after the second Monday in March and September. Greene—Sixth Monday after the second Monday in March and September. Clayton—Seventh monday after the second monday in March and September. Randolph—Ninth monday after the second monday in March and September.

3d Circuit.

#### THIRD CIRCUIT

Jackson—First monday in March and September. Lawrence—Fourth monday in March and September. Sharp—Second monday after the fourth monday in March and September. Fulton—Fourth Monday after the fourth monday in March and September. Baxter—Sixth monday after the fourth monday in March and September. Izard—Seventh monday after the fourth monday in March and September. Stone—Ninth monday after the fourth monday in March and September. Independence—Tenth monday after the fourth monday in March and September.

4th Circuit.

### FOURTH CIRCUIT.

Marion—Second monday in February and August. Boone—Third monday in February and August. Searey—Second monday after the third monday in February and August.

Newton—Third monday after the third monday in February and August. Carroll—Fourth monday after the third Monday in February and August. Madison—Fifth monday after the third monday in February and August. Benton—Sixth monday after the third monday in February and August. Washington—Eighth monday after the third monday in February and August.

### FIFTH CIRCUIT.

5th Circuit.

Greenwood District, Sebastian county—Third monday in February and August. Fo[u]rt[h] Smith District, Sebastian county—First monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Crawford county—Fourth monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Franklin county—Sixth monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Sarber county—Eighth monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Yell county—Tenth monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Pope county—Twelfth monday after the fourth monday in February and August. Johnson county—Fourteenth monday after the fourth monday in February and August.

### SIXTH CIRCUIT.

6th Circuit.

In the county of Pulaski on the first monday in February, and continue twelve weeks if the business of said court require it. In the county of Lonoke, on the first monday succeeding the Pulaski court, and continue two weeks if the business of said court require it. In the county of Faulkner on the first monday after the Lonoke court, and continue two weeks if the business of said court require it. In the county of Van Buren on the first monday after the Faulkner court, and continue two weeks if the business of said court require it.

### FALL TERM, SIXTH CIRCUIT

Fall Term-6th Circuit.

In the county of Pulaski on the first monday in October, and continue seven weeks if the business of said court require it. In the county of Lonoke on the first monday next after the Pulaski court and continue two weeks if the business of said court require it. In the county of Faulkner, on the tirst monday after the Lonoke Court, and continue one week if the business of said Court require it. In the county of Van Buren on the first monday after the Faulkner Court and continue one week if the business of said Court require it.

7th Circuit.

### SEVENTH CIRCUIT.

Hot Springs—Second Monday in March and September. Grant—Third Monday in March and September. Saline—Fourth Monday in March and September. Conway—Second Monday after fourth Monday in March and September. Perry—Fourth Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September. Garland—Fifth Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September

8th Circuit.

### EIGHTH CIRCUIT

Montgomery—First Monday in February and August. Scott—First Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Polk—Second Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Sevier—Third Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Little River—Fifth Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Howard—Seventh Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Pike—Eighth Monday after the first Monday in February and August. Clark—Ninth Monday after the first Monday in February and August.

9th Circuit.

#### NINTH CIRCUIT

Calhoun—First Monday in March and September. Union—Second Monday after the first Monday in March and September. Columbia—Fourth Monday after the first Monday in March and September. Lafayette—Sixth Monday after the first Monday in March and September. Hempstead—Eighth

Monday after the first Monday in March and September. Nevada—Eleventh Monday after the first Monday in March and September. Ouachita—Thirteenth Monday after the first Monday in March and September.

#### TENTH CIRCUIT

10th Circuit.

Dorsey—Third Monday in February and August. Dallas first Monday in March and September. Bradley—Second Monday in March and September. Ashley—Third Monday in March and September. Drew—Second Monday after the third Monday in March and September. Chicot—Fourth Monday after the third Monday in March and September.

#### ELEVENTH CIRCUIT.

11th Circuit.

In the county of Desha on the first Monday in March and September. In the County of Arkansas on the fourth Monday in March and September. In the county of Lincoln on the third Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September. In the county of Jefferson on the sixth Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September.

# ARTICLE XIX.

### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- SEC. 1. No person who denies the being of a God shall Disqualifications of atheists. hold any office in the civil departments of this State, nor be competent to testify as a witness in any Court.
- Sec. 2. No person who may hereafter fight a duel, assist Duelling. in the same as second, or send, accept, or knowingly carry a challenge therefor, shall hold any office in the State, for a period of ten years; and may be otherwise punished as the law may prescribe.
- SEC. 3. No person shall be elected to, or appointed to fill Electors. only, a vacancy in any office, who does not possess the qualifications of an elector.

SEC. 4. All civil officers for the State at large shall reside Residence, of officers. within the State, and all district, county and township officers within their respective districts, counties and townships, and shall keep their offices at such places therein as are now, or may hereafter be, required by law.

Officers to continue in office till ue in office of successors.

SEC. 5. All officers shall continue in office; after the expiration of their official terms until their successors are elected and qualified

No person shall hold, or perform the duties of Plurality of of-Sec. 6. fices. more than one office in the same department of the government at the same time, except as expressly directed or permitted by this Constitution

Forfeiture of residence.

Sec. 7. Absence on business of the State, or of the United States, or on a visit, or on necessary private business, shall not cause a forfeiture of residence once obtained.

Deductions from salaries of officers.

Sec. 8. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly to regulate by law in what cases, and what deductions from the salaries of public officers, shall be made for neglect of duty in their official capacity.

Creation of additional permannent State offices, create any permanent State offices, create any permanent State office, not expressly provided for Sec. 9. The General Assembly shall have no power to by this Constitution.

Returns of elec-tion, to whom tion, to made.

SEC. 10. Returns for all elections, for officers who are to be commissioned by the Governor, and for members of the General Assembly, except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, shall be made to the Secretary of State.

Salaries of State officers.

The Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Judges of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Circuit Court, Commissioner of state lands, and Prosecuting Attorneys shall each receive a salary to be established by law, which shall not be increased or dimin-

Fees pertaining ished during their respective terms, nor shall any of them, to State offices. except the prosecuting attorneys, after the adoption of this Constitution, receive to his own use any fees, costs, perquisites of office, or other compensation; and all fees that may hereafter be payable by law for any service performed by any officer mentioned in this section, except Prosecuting Attorneys shall be paid in advance into the State Treasury. Provided that the salaries of the respective officers herein Maximum mentioned shall never exceed per annum:

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For Governor the sum of \$4.000.00: For Secretary of State the sum of \$2.500.00: For Treasurer the sum of \$3.000.00: For Auditor the sum of \$3,000.00: For Attorney-General the sum of \$2500.00: For Commissioner of State Lands the sum of \$2500.00: For Judges of the Supreme court each, the sum of \$4000.00: For Judges of the Circuit Courts and Chancellors, each the sum of \$3000.00: For Prosecuting Attorney the sum of \$400. $\frac{0.0}{10.0}$ :

And provided further that the General Assembly shall pro- Increase of salaries of members vide for no increase of salaries of its members which shall sembly. take effect before the meeting of the next General Assembly

SEC. 12. An accurate and detailed statement of the Publication of rereceipts and expenditures of the public money, the several public money amounts paid, to whom and on what account, shall, from time to time, be published as may be prescribed by law.

Sec. 13. All contracts for a greater rate of interest Usury. than ten per centum per annum shall be void, as to principal and interest, and the General Assembly shall prohibit the same by law; but when no rate of interest is agreed upon, Rate of interest. the rate shall be six per centum per annum.

SEC. 14. No lottery shall be authorized by this State, nor Lotteries prohibshall the sale of lottery tickets be allowed.

All stationery, printing, paper, fuel, for the use Contracts for staof the General Assembly and other departments of government, shall be furnished and the printing furniture, state government, shall be furnished and the printing furniture. ment, shall be furnished, and the printing, binding and dis-ment. tributing of the laws, journals, department reports, and all other printing and binding, and the repairing and furnishing the halls and rooms used for the meetings of the General

Assembly and its committees, shall be performed under contract, to be given to the lowest responsible bidder, below such maximum price and under such regulations as shall be prescribed by law. No member or officer of any department of the government shall in any way be interested in such contracts, and all such contracts shall be subject to the approval of the Governor, Auditor and Treasurer.

Contracts for public buildings, bridges, etc.:

Sec. 16. All contracts for erecting or repairing public buildings or bridges in any county, or for materials therefor;

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For care of pau- or, for providing for the care and keeping of paupers, where there are no alms houses, shall be given to the lowest responsible bidder, under such regulations as may be provided by law.

Revision, publication, etc., of laws.

SEC. 17. The laws of this State, civil and criminal, shall be revised, digested, arranged, published and promulgated at such times, and in such manner as the General Assembly may direct.

Security of min-ers and travel-lers.

Sec. 18. The General Assembly, by suitable enactments, shall require such appliances and means to be provided and used, as may be necessary to secure, as far as possible, the lives, health and safety of persons employed in mining, and of persons traveling upon railroads, and by other public conveyances, and shall provide for enforcing such enactments by adequate pains and penalties

Education of deaf and dumb, blind, and insane.

Sec. 19. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly to provide, by law, for the support of institutions for the education of the deaf and dumb, and of the blind; and also for the treatment of the insane.

Oath of office.

Sec. 20. Senators and Representatives and all judicial and executive, state and county officers, and all other officers both civil and military, before entering on the duties of their respective offices shall take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation: "I ---- do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of —— upon which I am now about to enter."

SEC. 21. The sureties upon the official bonds of all State Sureties upon officers shall be residents of, and have sufficient property within, the State, not exempt from sale under execution, attachment or other process of any court, to make good their bonds, and the sureties upon the official bonds of all county officers shall reside within the counties where such officers reside, and shall have sufficient property therein, not exempt from such sale, to make good their bonds.

Sec. 22. Either branch of the General Assembly, at a Amendments to Constitution regular session thereof, may propose amendments to this how originated. Constitution; and if the same be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each house, such proposed amendments shall be entered on the journals with the yeas and nays, and published in at least one newspaper in each county, To be published: where a newspaper is published, for six months immediately preceding the next general election for Senators and Representatives, at which time the same shall be submitted to the And submitted to the people. electors of the State, for approval or rejection; and if a majority of the electors voting at such election adopt such amendments, the same shall become a part of this Constitution. But Not more than three to be proposed or sub-ted at same time. no more than three amendments shall be proposed or sub-ted at same time. mitted at the same time. They shall be so submitted as to Separate ratification of each. enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately.

Sec. 23. No officer of this State, nor of any county, city Maximum of officers' salary and or town, shall receive directly or indirictly for salary, fees and perquisites more than Five thousand dollars, nett, profits per annum in par funds, and any and all sums in excess of Disposition of exthis amount shall be paid into the State County City or Town Treasury, as shall hereafter be directed by appropriate legislation.

Contested elections not herein specifically provided for.

The General Assembly shall provide by law the mode of contesting elections in cases not specifically provided for in this Constitution.

Sec. 25. The present seal of the State shall be and remain Seal of the State. the Seal of the State of Arkansas until otherwise provided by law and shall be kept and used as provided in this Constitution.

Sec. 26. Militia officers, officers of the Public Schools, Officers eligible to executive and judicial office. and Notaries may be elected to fill any executive or Judicial office.

Assessments on Sec. 27. Nothing in this Constitution shall be so con-local improve-ments, in towns strued as to prohibit the General Assembly from authorizing and cities. assessments on real property for local improvements, in towns and cities under such regulations as may be prescribed by law; to be based upon the consent of a majority in value of the property holders owning property adjoining the locality to be affected. But such assessments shall be ad-valorum and uniform.

## SCHEDULE.

Sec. 1. All laws now in force, which are not in conflict or Retention of existing laws. inconsistent with this Constitution, shall continue in force

Effect of exemp- until amended or repealed by the General Assembly, and all tion have in force at adoption of laws exempting processed. of laws exempting property from sale on execution or by decree Constitution 1868. of a court; which were in force at the time of the adoption

of the Constitution of 1868, shall remain in force with regard be- to contracts made before that time. Until otherwise provided Distinction

Distinction be to construct the property of th instruments, concerning contracts between individuals, executed since the adoption of the Constitution of 1868, Provided, that the statutes of limitation with regard to sealed and unsealed instruments in force at that time, continue to apply to all instruments afterwards executed, until altered or repealed.

SEC. 2. In civil actions, no witness shall be excluded be- Competency cause he is a party to the suit, or interested in the issue to be tried; Provided, That in actions by or against executors, administrators or guardians, in which judgment may be rendered for or against them, neither party shall be allowed to testify against the other as to any transactions with or statements of the testator, intestate or ward, unless called to testify thereto by the opposite party; Provided, further, that this section may be amended or repealed by the General Assembly.

- Sec. 3. An election shall be held at the several election First general election for offi-precincts of every county of the State, on Tuesday, the 13th erand election for submission of day of October, 1874, for Governor, Secretary of State, Audi-the people. tor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Commissioner of State Lands for two years, unless the office is sooner abolished by the General Assembly, Chancellor, and Clerk of the Separate Chancery Court of Pulaski County, Chief Justice and two Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, a Circuit Judge and Prosecuting Attorney for each Judicial Circuit provided for in this Constitution, Senators and Representatives to the General Assembly, all County and Township officers provided for in this Constitution; and also for the submission of this Constitution to the qualified electors of the State, for its adoption or rejection.
- SEC. 4. The qualification of voters at the election to be Qualifications of held as provided in this schedule shall be the same as is now prescribed by law.
- Sec. 5. The State Board of Supervisors hereinafter men- Notice thereof, tioned shall give notice of said election immediately after the adoption of this Constitution by this Convention, by proclamation in at least two newspapers published at Little Rock, and such other newspapers as they may select. And each County Board of Supervisors shall give public notice, in their respective counties, of said election, immediately after their appointment.

Governor's proc-lamation enjoin-ing good order at such election.

The Governor shall also issue a proclamation enjoining upon all peace officers the duty of preserving good order on the day of said election, and preventing any disturbance of the same.

State Board Supervisors Election.

Sec. 7. Augustus H. Garland, Gordon N. Peay and Dudley E. Jones are hereby constituted a State Board of Supervisors of said election, who shall take an oath faithfully and impartially to discharge the duties of their office, a majority of whom shall be a quorum, and who shall perform the duties

Vacancies there- herein assigned them. Should a vacancy occur in said Board by refusal to serve, death, removal, resignation or otherwise, or if any member should become incapacitated from performing said duties, the remaining members of the Board shall fill the vacancy by appointment. But if all the places on said Board become vacant at the same time, the said

County Boards of Supervisors of Election.

Sec. 8. Said State Board shall at once proceed to appoint a Board of Election Supervisors for each county of this State, consisting of three men of known intelligence and uprightness of character, who shall take the same oath as above provided for the State Board. A majority of each Board shall constitute a quorum, and shall perform the duties

vacancies shall be filled by the President of this Convention.

Vacancies there- herein assigned to them; and vacancies occurring in the in. County Boards shall be filled by the State Board.

Poll-books and ballot-boxes the election.

Sec. 9. The State Board shall provide the form of pollbooks, and each County Board shall furnish the judges of each election precinct with three copies of the poll-books in the form prescribed; and with ballot boxes, at the expense of the County.

Distribution, to tion.

Sec. 10. The State Board of Supervisors shall cause to be of the Constitu- furnished in pamphlet form a sufficient number of copies of this Constitution to supply each County Supervisor and Judge of election with a copy and shall forward the same to the County Election Boards for distribution.

SEC. 11. The Boards of County Election Supervisors shall Judges of the election, and at once proceed to appoint three judges of election for each election precinct in their respective counties and the judges shall appoint three election clerks for their respective precincts all of whom shall be good competent, men, and take an oath as prescribed above. Should the judges of any election, from the tion precinct fail to attend at the time and place provided by election, from the law, or decline to act, the assembled electors shall choose competent persons, in the manner provided by law to act in their place, who shall be sworn as above.

SEC. 12. Said election shall be conducted in accordance Conduct of the with existing laws except as herein provided. As the election, of the tors present themselves at the polls to vote, the judges of the cided. election shall pass upon their qualifications, and the clerks of Registration. the election shall register their names on the poll, books if qualified; and such registration by said clerks shall be a sufficient registration in conformity with the Constitution of this State, and then their votes shall be taken.

SEC. 13. Each elector shall have written or printed on Style of ballot. his ticket "For Constitution" or "Against Constitution" and also the offices and the names of the candidates for the offices, for whom he desires to vote.

SEC. 14. The judges shall deposit the tickets in the ballot peposit of tickets, box; but no elector shall vote outside of the township or elector to vote only in township ward in which he resides. The names of the electors shall or ward of residence. Numbering of tickets.

On the ballots by the judges when deposited.

SEC. 15. All dram shops and drinking houses in this prinking houses state, shall be closed during the day of said election, and the too he closed during the day of said election, and the too he closed during succeeding night; and any person selling or giving away sale or gift of intoxicating liquors during said day or night, shall be punichibited. Succeeding higher than two hundred dollars, for each and every offence, or imprisoned not less than six months, or both.

Hours of voting. Sec. 16. The polls shall be opened at eight o'clock in the Counting of bal-forenoon, and shall be kept open until sunset. After the polls are closed the ballots shall be counted by the judges at the place of voting, as soon as the polls are closed, unless prevented by violence or accident; and the results by them

Disposition of re- certified on the poll-books, and the ballots sealed up. They shall be returned to the County Board of Election Supervisors, who shall proceed to cast up the votes and ascertain and state the number of votes cast for the Constitution, and the number cast against the Constitution, and also the number

Copies of abstract of votes cast for each candidate voted for, for any office, and of returns, bal-lots, and poll-books, where filed.

where shall forthwith forward to the State Board of Supervisors duly certified by them, one copy of the statement or abstracts of the votes so made out by them, retain one copy in their possession, and file one copy in the office of the county clerk, where they shall also deposit for safe-keeping the ballots sealed up, and one copy of the poll books, retaining possession of the other copies.

Ascertainment

Sec. 17. The State Board of Supervisors shall at once or result of election on adoption proceed, on receiving such returns from the County Board to of Constitution. ascertain therefrom and state the whole number of votes given for the Constitution, and the whole number given against it; and if a majority of all votes cast be in favor of the Constitution, they shall at once make public that fact by publication in two or more of the leading newspapers pubif lished in the city of Little Rock, and this Constitution from that date shall be in force; and they shall also make out and file in the office of Secretary of State an abstract of all the

Constitution, if adopted, in force from date of such publication. Abstract of re-turns of the elec-tion, to be filed with Secretary of State.

it; and also an abstract of all votes cast for every candidate voted for at the election, and file the same in the office of the List of members Secretary of State, showing the candidates elected. They of General Assembly, elect, to shall also make out and certify, and lay before each House of General Assembly and the candidates elected.

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the General Assembly, a list of the members elected to that

House; and shall also make out, certify and deliver to the Abstract of returns of election Speaker of the House of Representatives, an abstract of all for State officers, to be certified to Speaker of House of Representatives and all persons for the of Representatives. office of Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, Attorney General and Commissioner of State Lands and the said Speaker shall east up the votes, and And the result by announce the names of the persons elected to these offices. The Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Audi-State officers olected, when to tor of State, Attorney General and Commissioner of State duties. Lands chosen at said election shall qualify and enter upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices within fifteen days after the announcement or their election as aforesaid.

of said election filed by the State Board of Supervisors in the commissioned by SEC. 18. office of the Secretary of State, required by this Constitution to be commissioned, shall be commissioned by the Governor.

SEC. 19. At said election the qualified voters of each First election of Representatives county and Senatorial District as defined in article eight of this Constitution, shall elect respectively Representatives and Senators according to the numbers and apportionment contained in said article. The Board of Election Supervisors of Their certificates each county shall furnish certificates of election to the person or persons elected to the House of Representatives as soon as practicable after the result of the election has been ascertained and such Board of Election Supervisors in each county shall make a correct return of the election for Senator or Senators to the Board of Election Supervisors of the county first named in the Senatorial apportionment, and said Board shall furnish certificates of election to the person or persons elected as Senator or Senators in said Senatorial District as soon as practicable.

Sec. 20. All officers elected under this Constitution, officers except the Governor, Secretary of State Auditor of State, officers, when to enter upon their duties. Treasurer, Attorney General and Commissioner of State

other than State

Lands shall enter upon the duties of their several offices when they shall have been declared duly elected by said State Board of Supervisors, and shall have duly qualified. All such officers shall qualify and enter upon the duties of their offices within fifteen days after they have been duly notified of their election.

Prior incumbents to vacate their offices.

Sec. 21. Upon the qualification of the officers elected at said election, the present incumbents of the offices for which the election is held shall vacate the same and turn over to the officers thus elected and qualified, all books, papers, records, moneys and documents belonging or pertaining to said offices by them respectively held.

Time of convening of General Assembly under of General Assembly this Constitution shall commence on the first Tuesday after the second monday in November 1874.

Courts:

Transfer of jurisdiction from Boards of Supervisors to County tution shall be regarded in law, as a continuation of the SEC. 23. The County Courts provided for in this Consti-Courts: Criminal Boards of Supervisors now existing by law, and the Circuit Courts to Circuit Courts shall be regarded in law as continuations of the Criminal Courts, wherever the same may have existed in their

And of probate respective counties; and the Probate Courts shall be rebate Courts. garded as continuations of the Circuit Courts for the business within the jurisdiction of such Probate Courts, and the papers and records pertaining to said Courts and jurisdictions shall be transferred accordingly; and no suit or prosecution of any kind shall abate because of any change made in this Constitution.

Present incumbents to continue in office till qualification of cessors.

All officers now in office whose offices are not uali-suc abolished by this Convention, shall continue in office and discharge the duties imposed on them by law, until their successors are elected and qualified under this Constitution.

State Lands.

Commissioner of The office of Commissioner of State Lands shall be continued, provided that the General Assembly at its next session may abolish or continue the same in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

SEC. 25. Any election officer appointed under the propensity of fraud visions of this schedule, who shall fraudulently and corruptly permit any person to vote illegally, or refuse the vote of any qualified elector, cast up or make a false return of said election, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and on conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned in the Penitentiary not less than five years nor more than ten years. And any person or other persons, who shall vote when not a qualified elector, or vote more than once, or bribe any one to vote contrary to his wishes, or intimidate or prevent any elector by threats, menace or promises from voting, shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years.

Sec. 26. All officers elected at the election provided for in Tenure of office of officer chosen at this Schedule shall hold their offices for the respective periods, the election. provided for in the foregoing Constitution, and until their successors are elected and qualified. The first general electronary tions after the ratification of this Constitution shall be held on the first Monday of September A. D. 1876. Nothing in Election of Control Constitution and the Schedule thereto, shall be so construed as to prevent the election of Congressmen at the time as now prescribed by law.

SEC. 27. The sum of five thousand dollars is hereby ap-Appropriation to defray expenses propriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise of the election. appropriated to defray the expenses of the election provided for in this Schedule, and the Auditor of State shall draw his warrant on the Treasurer for such expenses not exceeding said amount on the certificate of the State Board of Supervisors of election

SEC. 28. For the period of two years from the adoption present salaries of this Constitution, and until otherwise provided by law the respective officers herein enumerated shall receive for their services the following salaries per annum.

For Governor the sum of \$3.500 <sup>22</sup>: For Secretary of State the sum of \$2.000 <sup>22</sup>: For Treasurer the sum of

\$2.500 00: For Auditor the sum of \$2.500 00: For Attornev General the sum of \$2.000 00: For Commissioner of State Lands the sum of \$2,000 00: For Judges of the Supreme Court, each the sum of \$3.500 00: For Judges of Circuit and Chancery Courts each the sum of \$2.500 00: For Prosecuting Attorneys each the sum of \$400 00: For

Per diem and Members of the General Assembly the sum of \$6. 22 per bers of General day, and twenty cents received going to and returning from the seat of Government, over the most direct and practicable route.

> Done in Convention, at Little Rock, the Seventh day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and seventy four, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-ninth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names.

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The provisions regulating the joint sessions of the two houses, those affecting the question of special legislation, and those prescribing, for the adoption of certain specified propositions, the vote of a greater or less number of members than a majority of the quorum present, are also collated, in their proper alphabetical places in the general index, under the respective heads of "Joint sessions," "Special legislation," and "Yotes."

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General Assembly	. 6	18	20
Geologist	10	2	40
12. Determination of result of elections for executive officers.			
OF STATE:			
Returns of election for Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney-General, respec-			
tively, to be sealed up separately and transmitted to the seat of			
government, by the returning officers, and directed to the			
Speaker of the House of Representatives	6	3	17
Speaker of the House of Representatives, during the first week of			
the session, to open and publish, in the presence of both houses, the votes cast and given for Governor, Secretary of			
State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney-			
General, respectively	6	3	17
Upon the publication of the votes for Governor, Secretary,			
Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney-General, respectively, the			
person having the highest number of votes for each of the res-	c	3	17
pective offices, to be declared duly elected thereto	6	3	14
office of Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, or Attorney-			
General, respectively, one of them to be chosen by the joint			
vote of both houses, and a majority of all the members elected			
to be necessary to a choice	6	3	17
Contested elections for Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer			
of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney-General, to be deter-			
mined by the members of both houses in joint session; who shall have exclusive jurisdiction in trying and determining			
the same, except as thereafter in the Constitution provided in			
the case of special elections [being the case of special elections			
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of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney-General, to be deter- mined at the first session of the General Assembly after the			
election in which the same shall have arisen	6	- 4	17
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Members, in all cases except treason, felony, and breach, or			
surety, of the peace, to be privileged from arrest during their			
attendance at the sessions of their respective houses, and in			
going to and returning from the same	5	15	12
speech or debate in either house	5	15	12
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Any person who shall directly or indirectly offer, give, or promise,			
any money, or thing of value, testimonial, privilege, or per-			
sonal advantage, to any member, to influence his action in the			
performance or non-performance of his public or official duty, to be guilty of a felony, and to be punished accordingly	5	0.5	10
Any member who shall receive, or consent to receive, any money,	3	35	16
or thing of value, testimonial, privilege, or personal advan-			
tage, either directly or indirectly, to influence his action in			
the performance or non-performance of his public or official			
duties, to be guilty of a felony, and to be punished accord-			
Member expelled for corruption, not thereofter to be aligible	_5	35	16
Member expelled for corruption, not, thereafter, to be eligible to either house	5	12	12
Proceedings to expel a member for a criminal offence, whether	,	12	12
successful or not, not to bar an indictment, under the crim-			
inal laws, for the same offence	5	36	16
Members or officers, making profit out of public moneys, or			
using the same for any purpose not authorized by law, to be			
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shall have been elected, to be appointed or elected to any civil			
office under this State	5	10	11
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Grant of free passes, by any railroad or transportation company,	17	7	50
to legislative officers, to be prevented by law	17	,	50
printing, paper, fuel, for the use of the General Assembly, or			
other departments of government, the printing, binding, or			
distributing, of the laws, journals, or department reports, or			*
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ing the halls and rooms used for the meetings of the General			
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The making of profit out of public moneys, or using the same for any purpose not authorized by law, by any officer of the			
General Assembly, etc., to be punishable as may be provided			
by law; but part of such punishment to be, disqualification			
to hold office in this State for a period of five years	16	3	46
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Contracts for stationery, printing, paper, fuel, for the use of, to			
be furnished, and the printing, binding, and distributing, of			
the laws, journals, department reports, and all other printing			
and binding, and the repairing and furnishing the halls and			
rooms used for the meetings of the General Assembly and its			
committees, to be performed under contract, to be given to the			
lowest responsible bidder, below such maximum price and	10		•
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ernor	5	18	13
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bility, of the Governor, the powers, duties, and emoluments,			
of the office. for the remainder of the term, or until the dis-			
ability be removed, or a Governor elected, to devolve upon and accrue to the President of the Senate	0	10	4.0
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Senate, during vacancy in the office of Governor, Speaker of			
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like manner as provided for President of the Senate	6	13	18
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that the term of the member elected President of the Senate			
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President from those members whose terms of office con-	-	70	40
tinue over	5	18	13
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The Senators, at the first session of the Senate, to divide them-			
selves into two classes, by lot—the first class to hold their			
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to cause to be entered on the journals of its proceedings, at the	U	12	1.0
desire of any five members, the yeas and nays on any ques-	,		
tion	5	12	12
to hold its sessions, and those of its committees of the whole.			
open, unless when the business is such as ought to be kept			
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session, and whenever a vacancy may occur, a presiding			
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<sup>\*</sup>In making the division between "duties obligatory" and "powers discretionary," the word "may,"
—except in one or two instances where the context renders it beyond question that the provision is mandatory in its nature,—has, for the purposes of this digest, been treated as conveying a discretionary power, only. The decision of its import in each case, rests, of course, with the Legislature and the courts.

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ings	5	12	12
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tered on the journals	5	14 12	12
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respective offices, to be declared duly elected thereto	6	2	17
If two or more persons shall be equal and highest in votes for			
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Contested elections for Governor, Secretary of State, Treas- urer of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney-General, to be			
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shall have exclusive jurisdiction in trying and determining			
the same, except as thereafter in the Constitution provided in the case of special elections [being the case of special elec-			
tions to fill vacancies in the office of Governor—See Art. VI,			
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the election in which the same shall have arisen	6	4	17
Upon the General Assembly, acting in the exercise of its ordina- by capacity of legislation:			
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first Tuesday after the second Monday in November, 1874 to meet at the seat of government, every two years, on the first	Se	22	66
Tuesday after the second Monday in November, until said			
time be altered by law	5	5	10
In reviving, amending, or extending or conferring, the pro- visions of any law, to re-enact, and publish at length, so			
much thereof as is revived, amended, extended, or con-			
to cause to be presented to the Governor, for his approval,	5	23	14
every bill which shall have passed both houses	6	15	19
House to which the Governor shall return a bill, with his objec-			
tions (this being, in all cases, the house in which 'the' bill			
originated), to enter the objections at large upon their journal, and proceed to reconsider the bill	6	15	19
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with his objections, a majority of the number elected to that			
house shall agree to pass the bill, the bill to be sent, with the objections, to the other house	6	15	19
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against the bill, to be entered on the journalsto cause to be presented to the Governor, for his approval.	6	15	3
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houses may be necessary, except on questions of adjourn-			
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Joint or concurrent orders and resolutions, being disapproved by the Governor, to be repassed by both houses [if repassed],			
according to the rules and limitations prescribed in the case of			
a bill	6	16	6
Item or items, disapproved by the Governor, of bills making		10	-
appropriations of money, embracing distinct items, to be re-			
passed [if repassed] according to the rules and limitations prescribed for the passage of other bills over the executive			
veto	6	17	
b. In matters of legislation generally:	· ·	11	2
(Actions, Civil:)			
to prescribe for whose benefit actions for damages to be recov-			
ered for injuries resulting in death, shall be prosecuted to provide, at next session after adoption of Constitution, manner	5	32	1
in which all suits and proceedings relating to sixteenth section			
lands, or to money due for such lands, shall be transferred to			
the respective counties where such lands are located	7	44	3
(Apportionment:)			·
After the enumeration of the inhabitants shall be taken by the U.S. Government, A.D. 1880, the ratio of representation in			
the House of Representatives to be increased, as in the Consti-			
tution, after Art. VIII, Sec. 1, provided [see second entry be-			
low], so that the Representatives shall never exceed the num-			
ber of one hundred (the House, however, never to consist of			
less than seventy-three members, and each county organized at date of adoption of Constitution to be always entitled to			
one Representative, the remainder to be apportioned among			
the several counties according to the number of adult male			
inhabitants)	8	1	32
After the U.S. census of 1880, to divide the State, from time to			02
time, into convenient Senatorial districts, in such manner that the Senate shall be based upon the adult male inhabi-			
tants of the State; each Senator representing an equal num-			
ber as near as practicable	8	2	35
At the first regular session after each enumeration of the inhabi-		_	00
tants of the State, by the Federal or State government, shall			
have been ascertained (and at no other time), to make the di- vision of the State into Senatorial districts, and apportion-			
ment of the Representatives to the several counties	8	* 4	37
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to ascertain, by law, the compensation of Supreme Judges, for			
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Courts, for their services	7	18	or
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to fix, by law, the number and salaries of clerks and employes			10
of the different departments of the State	16	4	46
to regulate, by law, in what cases, and what, deductions from the salaries of public officers, shall be made for neglect of			
duty in their official capacity	19	. 8	56
to establish the salary of Governor, Secretary of State, "Audi-	10	0	30
tor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Judges of the Supreme			
Court, Judges of the Circuit Court, Commissioner of State			
Lands, and Prosecuting Attorneys; not to be increased or diminished during their respective terms, and never to			
exceed the sums, per annum, respectively, fixed by Art.			
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to direct, by appropriate legislation, the manner in which all			
salary, fees, and perquisites, of officers of the State, and of counties, cities, and towns, in excess of five thousand dol-			
lars, net profit, per annum, in par funds, shall be paid into			
the State, county, city, or town treasury	19	23	59

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to restrict the powers of cities and incorporated towns, in the			
matter of taxation, assessment, borrowing money, and con-			
tracting debts, so as to prevent the abuse of such power	12	3	
to pass laws to correct abuses and prevent unjust discrimina-			
tion and excessive charges, by railroad, canal, and turnpike			
companies, for transporting freight and passengers, and to			
provide for enforcing such laws by adequate penalties and for-			
feitures	17	10	
to, pass laws enforcing, by suitable penalties, the provisions of			
Sec. 13 of Art. XVII (providing that the directors of every			
railroad corporation shall annually make a report, as pre-			
scribed by law, under oath, to the Auditor of Public Ac-			
counts, of all their acts and doings)	17	13	
to provide, by general laws, for the organization of cities (which	11	10	
may be classified) and incorporated towns, and to restrict			
their powers of taxation, assessment, borrowing money, and			
contracting debts, so as to prevent the abuse of such power*	12	3	
(Finance and Taxation:)			
to prescribe, by law, the manner in which county taxes shall			
be levied, and appropriations for county expenses made, by			
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the Quorum of the County	17	30	
to provide, by general laws, for the organization of cities (which			
may be classified) and incorporated towns, and to restrict			
their powers of taxation, assessment, borrowing money, and			
contracting debts, so as to prevent the abuse of such power*	12	3	
to restrict the powers of cities and incorporated towns, in the			
matter of taxation, assessment, borrowing money, and con-			
tracting debts, so as to prevent the abuse of such power	12	3	
to prescribe manner of publication, from time to time, of an			
accurate and detailed statement of the receipts and expendi-			
tures of the public money, the several amounts paid, to			
whom, and on what account	19	12	
to provide, by general laws, for the support of common schools,			
by taxes, which shall never exceed in any one year two mills			
on the dollar on the taxable property of the State, and by an			
annual per capita tax of one dollar, to be assessed on every			
male inhabitant of the State over the age of twenty-one years	14	9	
	14	3	
to provide, from time to time, for the payment of all just and		_	
legal debts of the State	16	2	
(by implication) to provide for the taxation, according to its			
value, of all property subject to taxation	16	5	
to direct the manner in which the taxable property of the			
State shall be ascertained, making such valuation equal and			
uniform throughout the State	16	5	
Every law imposing a tax to state distinctly the object of the			
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same	10	11	
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Part of the punishment to be provided for any officer of the			
State, or member or officer of the General Assembly, making			
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not authorized by law, to be, disqualification to hold office in			
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to none laws to correct change and present animit it	10	3	
to pass laws to correct abuses and prevent unjust discrimina-			
tion and excessive charges, by railroad, canal, and turnpike			
companies, for transporting freight and passengers, and to			
provide for enforcing such laws by adequate penalties and for-			
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to pass laws enforcing, by suitable penalties, the provisions of			
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by snitable enactments, to require such appliances and means			
to be provided and used, as may be necessary to secure, as			
far as possible, the lives, health, and safety, of persons em-			
ployed in mining, and of persons travelling upon railroads			
and by other public conveyances, and to provide for enforcing	10	10	
such enactments by adequate pains and penalties (Schools:)	19	18	58
The State ever to maintain a general, suitable, and efficient			
system of free schools, whereby all persons in the State, be-			
tween the ages of six and twenty-one years, may receive gra-			
tuitous instruction	14	1	44
to provide, by general laws, for the support of common schools,			
by taxes, which shall never exceed, in any one year, two mills			
on the dollar on the taxable property of the State, and by an			
annual per capita tax of one dollar, to be assessed on every male inhabitant of the State, over the age of twenty-one			
years	14	3	44
to provide for officers in whom shall be vested the supervision	14	0	44
of public schools, and to whom shall be confided the execution			
of the laws regulating the same*	14	4	44
(Miscellaneous:)			**
to enact suitable laws to protect every religious denomination			
in the peaceable enjoyment of its own mode of public wor-			
ship	2	25	6
(by intendment) to provide the manner in which notice of in-			
tention to apply for local and special bills shall be published,			
in the locality where the matter or thing to be affected may be	_	0.2	
situatedto regulate, by law, the manner of compelling attendance of Quo-	5	26	14
rum of the County	7	30	27
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and manufacturing interests of the State	10	1	39
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regulations under which, there shall be given to the lowest			
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printing, paper, fuel, for the use of the General Assembly			
and other departments of government, for the printing, bind-			
ing, and distributing, the laws, journals, department re-			
ports, and all other printing and binding, and for the repair-			
ing and furnishing the halls and rooms used for the meetings			
of the General Assembly and its committees	19	15	57
See, also, for further regulations respecting such contracts.	19	15	58
by suitable enactments, to require such appliances and means to be provided and used, as may be necessary to secure, as			
far as possible, the lives, health, and safety, of persons em-			
ployed in mining, and of persons travelling upon railroads,			
and by other public conveyances, and to provide for enforc-			
ing such enactments by adequate pains and penalties	19	18	58
to provide, by law, for the support of institutions for the edu-			
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county, where a newspaper is published, for six months			
immediately preceding the next general election for Sena-			

<sup>\*</sup>Though the word "may," only, is employed, in the Constitution, in the conferment of this power, its exercise is so obviously indispensable to the execution of the imperative mandate of Section 1, that it has been classed among "duties obligatory."

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Circuit Courts, Chancellors, and Prosecuting Attorneys, lia-			
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4. IN EACH HOUSE, ACTING IN ITS SEPARATE CAPACITY:			
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from day to day	5	11	11
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A smaller number, of either house, than a quorum, may compel			
the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under	_		
such penalties as such house shall provide	5	11	11
Each house has power:			
to determine the rules of its proceedings	5	12	11
to punish its members, or other persons, for contempt or dis-			
orderly behavior in its presence	5	12	11
to enforce obedience to its process	5	12	11
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to protect its members against violence, or offers of bribes, or		10	- 11
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with the concurrence of two-thirds, to expel a member (but not	_		
a second time for the same cause)	5	12	11
(by intendment) to hold secret sessions of the house itself, or of			
its committee of the whole, when the business is such as ought			
to be kept secret	5	13	12
by vote of two-thirds, to suspend the rules so as to have a bill			
read a second or third time on the same day	5	22	13
(by implication) to withhold from publication such parts of		~~	10
the journal of its proceedings, as require secrecy	5	12	12
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(by intendment) to require the Secretary of State to lay be-			
fore it his record of all the official acts and proceedings of the			
Governor, with all papers, minutes, and vouchers, relating			
thereto	6	21	21

<sup>\*</sup>In making the division between "powers discretionary" and "duties obligatory," the word "may,"—except in one or two instances where the context renders it beyond question that the provision is mandatory in its nature,—has, for the purposes of this digest, been treated as conveying a discretionary power, only. The decision of its import in each case, rests, of course, with the Legislature and the courts.

<sup>†</sup> It follows, from the grant, to the General Assembly, of the general legislative authority, that its powers of legislation are absolute and unqualified, except as they may be modified or controlled by the prohibitions, express or implied, of the Constitution of the State, or that of the United States. (For the specific prohibitions imposed upon the several States by the Constitution of the United States, see foot-note to POWERS DENIED, below.)

The special grants of discretionary powers, therefore, contained in the Constitution of the State, are of two classes; first, those forming exceptions to general constitutional prohibitions, and, second (and these make up the bulk of such provisions), those to be considered merely as inviting the particular attention of the Legislature to the subject of the grant,

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at a regular session thereof, to propose amendments to			
the Constitution (but no more than three at the same	10	00	~
time)	19	22	59
CAPACITY OF LEGISLATION:			
a. In matter of procedure:			
(by implication) may, by general law, alter the time prescribed,			
by the Constitution, for regular meetings of the General As-			
sembly	5	5	10
may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to each			
house, extend the regular biennial session beyond sixty days'	_	110	•
may, at the first session under this Constitution, and when im-	5	- 17	12
peachments are pending, extend the regular biennial ses-			
sion beyond sixty days, without vote of two-thirds of the			
members elected to each house (as required in other			
cases)	5	17	12
at extraordinary sessions, after disposition of the business set			
forth in the proclamation of the Governor, may, by a vote of			
two-thirds of all the members elected to both houses, entered upon their journals, remain in session not exceeding fifteen			
days	6	19	20
Governor may, by proclamation on extraordinary occa-	· ·	10	20
sions, convene the General Assembly at the seat of govern-			
ment, or at a different place, if that shall have become, since			
their last adjournment, dangerous, from an enemy or conta-			
gious disease (the purpose for which they are convened, to			
be specified in his proclamation, and no other business than			
that set forth therein, to be transacted, until the same shall have been disposed of)	6	19	90
In cases of disagreement between the two houses, at a regular	0	19	20
or special session, with respect to the time of adjournment,			
Governor may, if the facts be certified to him by the presiding			
officers of the two houses, adjourn them to a time not beyond			
the day of their next meeting, and, on account of danger from			
an enemy or disease, to such other place of safety as he may			
think proper	6	20	21
with his objections, in manner prescribed and by vote of a			
majority of both houses, repass the bill	G	15	19
may, according to the rules and limitations prescribed in the			
case of a bill, repass joint or concurrent orders or resolutions			
disapproved by the Governor	6	16	20
may, according to the rules and limitations prescribed for the passage of other bills over the executive veto, repass item or			
items, disapproved by the Governor, of appropriation bills	6	17	20
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. In matters of legislation generally:			
(General provisions:)			
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All laws in force at date of Constitution, which are not in con-			
flict or inconsistent with this Constitution, to continue in force	a	1	40
flict or inconsistent with this Constitution, to continue in force until amended or repealed by the General Assembly	Se	1	
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flict or inconsistent with this Constitution, to continue in force until amended or repealed by the General Assembly(by implication) may suspend or set aside the law or laws of the State	Se 2	12	4
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from the adoption of this Constitution; Provided, that no mem-			
ber of either house shall, during the term for which he has			
been elected, receive any increase of pay for his services under			
any law passed during such term; and Provided further, that it			
shall provide for no increase of salaries of its members, which			
shall take effect before the meeting of the next General Assem-			
bly	5,19,So	16,11,28	12,57,67
may, by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each			
branch, allow extra compensation to officers, agents, em-			
ployes, or contractors, after the service shall have been ren-		O.M.	
dered, or the contract made	5	27	14
(by implication) may, during the existence of the first General Assembly after the adoption of the Constitution, diminish the		1	
compensation of Supreme Judges	7	10	24
(by implication) may, during the existence of the first General		10	W.E
Assembly after the adoption of the Constitution, diminish the			
compensation of Judges of the Circuit Courts	7	18	25
(by intendment) may provide, by law, the compensation of the			
County Judge for his services as presiding Judge of the Coun-			
ty Court, as Judge of the Court of Probate, and Judge of the			
Court of Common Pleas, when established	7	37	28
(by implication) may, by law, after two years from the adoption			
of the Constitution, increase (within the maximum limit pre-			
scribed by Art. XIX, Sec. 11, p. 56), or diminish, the salaries			
of State officers, and the per diem and mileage of members of	G	-00	21
General Assembly, as provided in Section 28 of the Schedule	Sc	28	67
(Contracts:)			
may, by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each			
branch, allow extra compensation to officers, agents, em-			
ployes, or contractors, after the service shall have been ren-	-	Obs	**
dered, or the contract made	5	27	14
(by intendment) may provide regulations under which there shall be given to the lowest responsible bidder, contracts for			
erecting or repairing public buildings or bridges in any county,			
or for materials therefor, or for providing for the care and			
keeping of paupers, where there are no almshouses	19	16	58
(by implication) may provide for distinction between sealed and			
unsealed instruments, concerning contracts between indi-			
viduals, executed since the adoption of the Constitution of			
1868; Provided, that the statutes of limitation with regard to			
sealed and unsealed instruments, in force at that time, con-			
tinue to apply to all instruments afterwards executed, until	~		
altered or repealed	Se	1	60
(Corporations:)			
may form corporations under general laws; which laws may,			
from time to time, be altered or repealed	12	6	42
(by intendment) may pass special acts conferring corporate			
powers, for charitable, educational, penal, or reformatory			
purposes, where the corporations are to be and remain under			
the patronage and control of the State	12	2	41
may alter, revoke, or annul, any charter of incorporation now ex-			
isting, revocable at the adoption of the Constitution, or any			
that may hereafter be created, whenever, in their opinion, it may be injurious to the citizens of this State; in such manner,			
however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators	12	6	42
(by intendment) may enact general laws providing for the in-	14	,	10
crease of the stock or bonded indebtedness of private			
corporations, under conditions specified, respecting consent			
of stockholders	12	8	42
(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the manner of ascer-			
tainment (by a jury, however, of twelve men, and in a court of			
competent jurisdiction) of the compensation due the owner for			
the appropriation of property, or right of way, to the use of cor-	10	0	40
porations	12	9	42
may authorize foreign corporations, under the restrictions im- posed by Art. XII, Sec. 11 (p. 42), and under such other lim-			
itations and restrictions as may be prescribed by law, to do			
business in this State	12	11	42
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and amend the same, and pass general and special laws for			
the benefit of the corporations, on condition that such corpo-			
rations shall thereafter hold their charters, subject to the			
provisions of this Constitution	17	9 -	50
(by intendment) may take the property and franchises of in-	41		00
corporated companies, and subject them to public use—the			
same as the property of individuals	- 17	9	50
(by intendment) may prescribe regulations of responsibility of			
all railroads which are now or may be hereafter built and			
oporated, either in whole or in part, in this State, for all dam-			
ages to persons and property	17	12	50
(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the matters, relating to			00
railroads, required to be included in annual report of directors			
of railroad corporations to the Auditor of public accounts	17	13	51
may delegate the taxing power, with the necessary restrictions,			-
to the State's subordinate political and municipal corporations,			
to the extent of providing for their existence, maintenance,			
and well-being (but no further)	2	23	6
may authorize assessments on real property, for local improve-			
ments, in towns and cities, under such regulations as may be			
prescribed by law; to be based upon the consent of a majority,			
in value, of the property-holders owning property adjoining			
the locality to be affected (such assessments to be ad valorem.			
and uniform)	19	27	60
(by intendment) may authorize counties, cities, towns, or other			
municipalities, to issue interest bearing bonds, to provide			
for and secure payment of the indebtedness existing at date of			
adoption of Constitution	16	1	46
(by implication) may provide for the assumption or payment			
of debts or liabilities of counties, towns, cities, or other cor-			
porations, in case such debt or liability shall have been crea-			
ted to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or to provide for			
the public welfare and defence	12	12	43
may, by general law, designate subordinate municipal or local			
offices, below the grade of city or county officers, to which			
election officers may be eligible at an election at which they			
may serve	3	10	9
(Counties:)			
(by implication) may create new counties, and change county-			
seats, under the restrictions imposed by Art. XIII	13	1, 2, 3, 4	43, 44
may (in exception to the general restriction) reduce the coun-			
ties of Lafayette. Pope, or Johnson, to areas of less than six			
hundred square miles each, and to areas containing less than			
five thousand inhabitants each	13	1	43
In formation of new counties, the county-seat may be located			
temporarily, by provisions of law	13	3	44
County-seat of Lafayette county an exception to the rule for-			
bidding that the line of any new county shall run within ten			
miles of the county-seat of the county proposed to be divided	13	4	44
may [for the peace of mankind] give to Sebastian county two			
districts and two county-seats, at which County, Probate, and			
Circuit Courts, shall be held as may be provided by law; each	10		
district paying its own expenses	13	5	44
(Courts-their Creation, Constitution, Abolition, Terms, and Original			
Jurisdiction:)			
(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the terms of the Su-			
preme Court	7	8	23
when the population of the State shall amount to one million,			
may, if deemed necessary, increase the number of Judges of			
the Supreme Court to five	7	3	22
(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, regulations for tempo-			
rary exchange of circuits or courts, by Judges of Circuit			
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(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the terms of County			0-
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(by intendment) may abolish the Pulaski Chancery Court	7	44	30
ing, at the date of adoption of the Constitution, in the Pulas- ki Chancery Court	7	. 44	30
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may, when deemed expedient, establish Separate Courts of			
Chancery	7	1, 15	22, 24
(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the exclusive original jurisdiction of Courts of Probate, in matters relative to the			
probate of wills, the estates of deceased persons, executors,	7	24	28
guardians, and persons of unsound mind, and their estates  (by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the regular terms of the	•	34	40
Courts of Probate	7	34	28
may authorize the Judge of the County Court of any one or			
more counties to hold, severally, a quarterly Court of Common			
Pleas in their respective counties, and may vest, in such court, such jurisdiction, in matters of contract and other civil			
matters, not involving title to real estate, as it may deem			
proper	7	32	28
may vest such jurisdiction as may be deemed necessary, in Mu-			
nicipal Corporation Courts, and in Courts of Common Pleas,	7	1	22
where established	•	1	24
jurisdiction concurrent with Justices of the Peace, in civil			
and criminal matters	7	43	-30
may invest such Corporation Courts as it may deem expedient,			
with jurisdiction of any criminal offences not punishable by death or imprisonment in the penitentiary, with or without			
indictment, as may be prescribed by law	7	43	30
(by implication) may make such offences, in the grade of mis-			-
demeanor [see Art. VII, Sec. 40, p. 29], as they may see fit,			
cognizable by Justices of the Peace, and courts of similar juris-			
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tices of the Peace, in misdemeanors	7	40	29
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the subject of appellate jurisdiction, see sub-head of			
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(Finance and Taxation:)  The State's ancient right of eminent domain, and of taxation,			
is in the Constitution fully and expressly conceded	2	23	6
May delegate the taxing power, with the necessary restrictions,	_	-	
to the State's subordinate political and municipal corporations,			
to the extent of providing for their existence, maintenance,	0	00	0
and well-being (but no further)	2	23	6
seven years from ratification of the Constitution, the capital			
invested in any or all kinds of mining and manufacturing			
business in the State, under such regulations and restrictions	10		4.0
as may be prescribed by law	10	3	40
vote of the qualified electors of such district, a tax, not to ex-			
ceed five mills on the dollar, in any one year, for school pur-			
poses; Provided, further, that no such tax shall be appropri-			
ated to any other purpose, nor to any other district than that for which it was levied	14	3	45
(by intendment) may authorize counties, cities, towns, or other	14	3	40
municipalities, to issue interest-bearing bonds, to provide for			
and secure payment of the indebtedness existing at date of			
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may, from time to time, tax hawkers, peddlers, ferries, exhibi- tions, and privileges, in such manner as may be deemed			
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clothed with sole power to make appropriations of money, to be paid out of the treasury	16	12	48
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(Militia:) (by intendment) may provide, by law, the manner of organization, officering, arming, equipment, and training, of the			
militia	11 11	1	40
thereon	11	2	_ 40
preserve the public peace	11		40
the volunteers or militia, or both, to execute the laws, repel invasion, repress insurrection, and preserve the public peace (Penal enactments:)	11	4	40
(by implication) may provide for forfeiture or impairment of right of suffrage, for commission of a felony at common law,			
upon lawful conviction thereof	3	2	7
law; part of such punishment to be, disqualification to hold office in this State, for a period of five years(by intendment) may preseribe punishment, additional to that	16	3	46
prescribed by the Constitution, for participation in a duel (Practics—including Appellate Jurisdiction:)	19	2	55
may, from to time, prescribe restrictions upon appellate juris- diction of Supreme Court	7	4	22
from Circuit Courts to Supreme Court, in matters of equity (by intendment) may prescribe, by law, restrictions and regula-	7	15	24
tions for appeals from judgments of County Courts, or Courts of Common Pleas, when established, to the Circuit Court (by intendment) may provide, by law, the manner in which orders for injunctions and other provisional writs, issued by County Judges in the absence of the Circuit Judge from the	7	33	28
county, may be reviewed by superior judges in vacation (by intendment) may provide, by law, regulations for appeals	7	37	29
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the application of the accused, to any other county of the judicial district in which the indictment may be found (by implication) may suspend privilege of writ of habeas corpus, in the control of the control	2	10	4
in case of rebellion, insurrection, or invasion, when the public safety may require it	2	11	4
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	tency of witnesses in civil actions)	Se	2	61
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	may provide, by law, the mode of deciding contested elections			
	for the office of Governor, in case of special elections to fill vacancy	6	14	19
	(by intendment) may prescribe, by law, the duties of Treasurer	0	**	10
	of State, Secretary of State, Auditor of State, and Attorney			
	General	6	22	21
	may provide, by law, for the establishment of the office of			
	Commissioner of State Lands	6	1	16
	may, at its next session after the adoption of the Constitution,			
	abolish the office of Commissioner of State Lands, or continue the same in such manner as may be prescribed by law	C.	24	66
	(by intendment) may prescribe duties of Sheriffs, Coroners,	Se	24	00
	County Treasurers, and County Surveyors	7	46	31
	(by intendment) may provide, by law, for alteration or repeal of	•		01
	provision making the Sheriff of each county ex-officio collec-			
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	(by intendment) may prescribe the places at which district.			
	county, and township officers shall keep their offices within	10		
	their respective districts	19	4	56
	may create a bureau to be known as the Mining, Manufacturing, and Agricultural Bureau	10	1	39
	may, when deemed expedient, create the office and prescribe	10		00
	the term of office, duties, and compensation, of a State Geolo-			
	gist, under conditions of appointment and removal pre-			
	scribed	10	2	40
	For removal of State Executive officers, upon address, see			
	under sub-head "c. In matters special," below.			
	For compensation of public officers, see under that sub-head, above.			
	(Schoole:)			
	may, by general law, authorize school districts to levy, by a vote			
	of the qualified electors of such district, a tax, not to exceed			
	five mills on the dollar, in any one year, for school pur-			
9	poses; Provided, further, that no such tax shall be appro-			
ш	priated to any other purpose, nor to any other district than			
1	that for which it was levied	14	3	45
	(by implication) may provide manner of quartering soldiers, in			
	time of war, in houses or premises, without the consent of the			
	owner	2	27	7
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	may, by law, fix a different time for general elections, from that			
	prescribed in the Constitution (viz., the first Monday in Sep-			
	tember)	3	8	8
	(by intendment) may prescribe rules and regulations respecting grants of reprieve, commutations of sentence, and pardons,			
7	after conviction, and remission of fines and forfeitures	6	18	20
0	(by intendment) may alter the Seal of the State	19	25	60
	may direct the time and manner of revision, digesting, arrange-		20	00
	ment, publication, and promulgation, of the laws of the State,			
	civil and criminal	19	17	58
1	. In matters special:			
	may, for good cause, and by vote of two-thirds of the members			
	elected to each house, address the Governor for the removal of the Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary of State, Attorney Gen-			
	eral, Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, Chancellors.			
	or Prosecuting Attorneys	15	3	45



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\*Other powers than these here enumerated are, of course, by implication, denied the General Assembly, by every positive enactment of the Constitution. These must be sought, each under its proper head, in the General Index.

In addition, however, to the prohibitions imposed, by the Constitution of the State, upon the action of the General Assembly, or, rather, before them, are the restrictions laid, by the Constitution of the United

States, upon the powers of the States.

"This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby, any thing in the constitution or laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding." (Constitution of the U. S., Art. VI, Sec. 2.)

The powers prohibited to the States by the original Constitution (omitting the consideration of such as grow, by implication, out of positive enactments imposing duties) are divisible into three classes: (1) Where the Constitution in express terms grants an exclusive authority to the Union; (2) where it grants, in one instance, an authority to the Union, and in another prohibits the States from exercising the like authority; and (3) where it grants an authority to the Union, to which a similar authority in the States would be absolutely and totally contradictory and repugnant. ( The Federalist, No. 44.)

To these may now be added a fourth class, embraced in the Amendments to the Constitution, where certain powers are at once renounced by the National Government, and prohibited to the States.

The enumeration, in this place, of the implied restrictions, subjects, as they are, of difference and discussion coeval with the institution of the Government, and doubtless to continue while the Government shall endure, is impracticable. The express prohibitions upon the powers of the States are as follows:

are as follows:

"No state shall (1) enter into any treaty, alliance, or confederation; (2) grant letters of marque and reprisal; (3) coin money; (4) emit bills of credit; (5) make any thing but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts; (6) pass any bill of attainder, (7) ex post facto law, or (8) law impairing the obligation of contracts, or (9) grant any title of nobility.

"No state shall, without the consent of the congress, (10) lay any imposts or duties on imports or exports, except what may be absolutely necessary for executing its inspection alway; and the net produce of all duties and imposts, laid by any state on imports or exports, shall be subject to the revision and control of the congress.

"No state shall, without the consent of congress, (11) lay any duty of tonnage, (12) keep troops, or ships of war in time of peace, (13) enter into any agreement or compact with another state, or (14) with a foreign power, or (15) engage in war, unless actually invaded, or in such imminent danger as will not admit of delay." (Art. 1, Sec. 10.)

(16) "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction." (Amendments, Art. XIII.)

"All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction there f, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall (17) make or enforce any law which shall shridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state (18) deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor (19) deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." (Amendments, Art. XIV, Sec. 1.)

"Neither the United States nor any state shall (20) assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection, or rebellion against the United States, or (21) any claim for the loss or emancipation of any s

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 'etc., sub-heads of 'b. In matters		-	and the same of th
of legislation generally"—"(Rights, Privileges, etc.)," below.]			
Sole power of impeachment to be in House of Representa-			
tives	15	2	45
In trials of impeachments, no person to be convicted without			
the concurrence of two-thirds of the members of the Sen-			
ate	15	2	45
Judgment in cases of impeachment to go no further than remov-			
al from office and disqualification to hold any office of honor,	15	1	45
Powers denied to the House of Representatives:	19		#0
See first entry under head "2, Powers specifically denied			
TO THE SENATE," above.]			
TO EITHER HOUSE, ACTING IN ITS SEPARATE CAPACITY:			
a. In matter of procedure:			
The right of the people to petition, by address or remonstrance,			
the government, or any department thereof, never to be			
abridged	2	4	3
No new bill to be introduced into either house, during the last		0.4	10
three days of the session	5	34	16
Neither house shall: adjourn, without the consent of the other, for more than three			
days	5	28	15
adjourn, without the consent of the other, to any other place	Ü		10
than that in which the two houses shall be sitting	5	28	15
so alter or amend any bill, on its passage, as to change			
its original purpose	5	21	13
(by intendment) dispense with the reading of any bill			
at length, upon either of its readings	5	22	13
unless the rules be suspended by two-thirds of the house,			
cause a bill to receive more than one reading on the same	5	22	13
pass any local or special bill, unless notice of the inten-	9	22	13
tion to apply therefor shall have been published in the locali-			
ty where the matter or the thing to be affected may be situa-			
ted; such notice to be, at least, thirty days prior to the intro-			
duction, into the General Assembly, of such bill, and in the			
manner to be provided by law; the evidence of such notice			
having been published, to be exhibited in the General Assem-			
bly, before such act shall be passed	5	26	14
b. In matters special:			
Neither house may expel a member a second time for the same	5	12	11
Neither house to propose more than three amendments to	9	12	11
the Constitution at the same time	19	- 22	59
To the two houses, acting in joint session:	10	44	00
[See first entry under head "2. POWERS SPECIFICALLY DENIED			
TO THE SENATE," above.]			
TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ACTING "IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS ORDINARY			
CAPACITY OF LEGISLATION:			
a. In matter of procedure:			
The right of the people to petition, by address or remonstrance.			
the government, or any department thereof, never to be			
abridged	2	4	3
not to pass any law except by billnot (except at its first session under this Constitution, or when	5	21	13
impeachments are pending) to extend its regular biennial			
sessions beyond sixty days, unless by a vote of two-thirds of			
the members elected to each house	5	17	12
No hill to become a law unless, on its final passage the vote he	Ü		
taken by year and nave the names of the			
and against the same entered at the persons voting for			
taken by yeas and nays, the names of the persons voting for and against the same entered on the journal, and a majority of each house recorded thereon as voting in its favor	5	22	13

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PAGE.	SEC.	ART.	Course & Aggreen Proceed (continued)
			GENERAL ASSEMBLY—Powers Denied (continued.)  No law to be revived, amended, or the provisions thereof ex-
			tended or conferred, by reference to its title only; but so much
		•	thereof as is revived, amended, extended, or conferred to be
14	23	. 5	re-enacted and published at length
			(by implication) cannot be adjourned by the Governor, in case
			of disagreement between the two houses, at a regular or special
			session, with respect to the time of adjournment, unless the
			fact of such disagreement be certified to him by the presiding
			officers of the two houses; and then to a time not beyond the
			day of their next meeting, or, except on account of danger
21	20	6	from an enemy or disease, to any place other than that in
21	20	0	which the houses shall be sitting
			than that set forth in the proclamation of the Governor, con-
21	19	6	vening the same
			b. In matters of legislation generally:
			(Rights, Privileges, etc.:)
			[For general prohibitions, to the Government, of the exercise
			of power in contravention of the fundamental rights of the
			citizen and Ithe principles of the Constitution, see head
			"1. General provisions," above. The provisions given below
			under this sub-head, are selected, chiefly from the Declaration
			of Rights, as embracing the more specific prohibitions in
			this nature.]
0	0	0	The equality of all men before the law, ever to remain invio-
2	3	2	No other area to be descined of any right privilege on in
			No citizen ever to be deprived of any right, privilege, or im- munity, or exempted from any burden or duty, on account
2	3	2	of race, color, or previous condition
-	· ·	-	The right of the people peaceably to assemble, to consult for
3	4	2	the common good, never to be abridged
			The right of the people to petition, by address or remonstrance,
			the government, or any department thereof, never to be
3	4	2	abridged
			The citizens of this State to have the right to keep and bear
3	5	2	arms for the common defence
3	6	2	The liberty of the press to forever remain inviolate
3	6	2	All persons may freely write and publish their sentiments on
3	0	4	all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of such right  The right of the people of the State to be secure in their per-
			sons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable
5	15	2	searches and seizures, not to be violated
		-	No person to be imprisoned for debt, in any civil action, on
5	16	2	mesne or final process
			not to grant to any citizen, or class of citizens, privileges or im-
			munities which, upon the same terms, shall not equally be-
5	. 18	2	long to all citizens
5	19	2	not to grant perpetuities or monopolies
_	10		not to grant or confer any hereditary emoluments, privileges,
5	19	2	or honors
			not to make any distinction, by law, between resident aliens
5	20	2	and citizens, in regard to the possession, enjoyment, or de-
Э	20	2	Private property not to be taken, appropriated, or damaged, for
6	22	2	public use, without just compensation therefor
Ů	1	-	not to give any preference, by law, to any religious establish-
6	24	2	ment, denomination, or mode of worship, above any other
	•		No man to be compelled to attend. erect, or support, any place
6	24	2	of worship, or to maintain any ministry, against his consent
			No religious test ever to be required of any person as a qualifi-
			cation to vote or hold office, nor shall any person be rendered
			incompetent to be a witness on account of his religious belief;
			but nothing herein to be construed to dispense with oaths or
6	26	2	affirmations
6	27	2	Slavery, and involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, prohibited
3	21	-	(by implication) not to authorize assessments on real property.
			not based upon the consent of a majority in value of the
60	27	19	not based upon the consent of a majority, in value, of the property-holders owning property adjoining the locality to be affected, or other than ad valorem and uniform

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not to pass bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing			
the obligation of contracts	2	. 17	5
not to suspend privilege of writ of habeas corpus, except in			
case of rebellion, insurrection, or invasion, when the public			
safety may require it	2	11	4
No person to be taken or imprisoned, or disseized of his es- tate, freehold, liberties, or privileges, or outlawed, or in any			
manner destroyed, or deprived of his life, liberty, or property,			
except by the judgment of his peers or the law of the land	2	21	5
(by implication) not to abolish, or, except in cases such as			
shall be made cognizable by Justices of the Peace, and courts			
of similar jurisdiction, to modify, the grand-jury sys-			
Picht of trial by iver to receip invisited	2	8	3
Right of trial by jury to remain inviolate	2	7	3
regard to the amount in controversy (but a jury trial may be			
waived by the parties, in all cases, in the manner prescribed			
by law,	2	7	3
Limitations on the law of libel	2	6	3
Limitations on the law of treason	2	14	4
For further rights of accused in criminal prosecutions,—not			
to be abridged by statutory enactment,—see	2	8, 9. 10, 11	3, 4
(Apportionment:)		10,11	
not to make apportionment increasing the number of members			
of the House of Representatives to more than one hundred,			
or reducing it below seventy-three	8	1	32
not so to divide the State into Senatorial districts that the			
Senate shall consist of less than thirty or more than thirty-		0	05 05
five members	8	2	35, 37
tory, and no county to be divided in the formation of a Sena-			
torial district	8	3	37
not to make division of the State into Senatorial districts, or	_		
apportionment of Representatives to the several counties, at			
any other time than at the first session after each enumera-			
tion of the inhabitants of the State, by the Federal or State			
government	8	4	37
(Appropriations:) No appropriations to be made except by law	E 177	00.10	15 10
not to appropriate any money on any claim, the subject-matter	5,17	29,12	15,48
of which shall not have been provided for by pre-existing			
laws, unless such claim be allowed by bill passed by two-			
thirds of the members elected to each branch	5	27	14
not to make appropriation other than specific, or without dis-			
tinctly stating, in the bill, the purpose of the appropriation,			
and specifying, in dollars and cents, the maximum amount			
which may be drawn	. 5	29	15
not to make appopriations for longer period than two years  General appropriation bill to embrace nothing but appropria-	5	29	15
tions for the ordinary expense of the executive, legislative,			
and judicial departments of the State	5	30	15
not to make appropriations other than for ordinary expenses of	o o	50	10
the executive, legislative, and judicial departments of the			
State, except by separate bills, each embracing but one sub-			
ject	5	30	15
(Compensation of public officers:)			
(by implication) not to pass any law providing for an increase			
of pay of any member of either house, for his services, during		10	4.5
the term for which such member shall have been elected not to allow extra compensation to any officer, agent, employe,	5	16	12
or contractor, after the service shall have been rendered, or the			
contract made, unless such compensation be allowed by bill			
passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch	5	27	14
not, after the adjournment of the next General Assembly after			**
the adoption of the Constitution, to diminish the compensa-	P		
tion of Supreme Judges, during the time for which they shall			
have been elected	7	10	24
nave been elected not, after the adjournment of the first session of the General Assembly, to diminish the compensation of Judg s of Cir- cuit Courts, during the time for which they are elected			
cuit Courts, during the time for which they are elected	7	18	25

not to allow extra compensation to any officer, agent, employe, or contractor, after the service shall have been rendered, or the contract made, unless such compensation be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch	56 57 67
not to increase or diminish, during their respective terms, the salaries of Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Judges of the Circuit Court, Commissioner of State Lands, or Prosecuting Attorneys	56 57 67
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not to provide salaries, for the officers named in the preceding entry, exceeding the sums respectively prescribed in Art.  XIX, Sec. 11 (p. 57)	56 57 67
entry, exceeding the sums respectively prescribed in Art. XIX, Sec. 11 (p. 57)	57 67
to provide for no increase of the salaries of its members, which shall take effect before the meeting of the next General Assembly	57 67
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not to increase or diminish, during the period of two years from the adoption of the Constitution, the salaries of State officers, or per diem and mileage of members of the General Assembly, as prescribed in Sec. 28 of the Schedule	67
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not to pass bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing the obligation of contracts	Ē
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or contractor, after the service shall have been rendered, or the contract made, unless such compensation be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch	
or contractor, after the service shall have been rendered, or the contract made, unless such compensation be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch	14
contract made, unless such compensation be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch  not, so far as regards contracts made before the time of the adoption of the Constitution of 1808, to alter or repeal any laws exempting property from sale on execution or by decree of a court, which were in force at that time	14
not, so far as regards contracts made before the time of the adoption of the Constitution of 1868, to alter or repeal any laws exempting property from sale on execution or by decree of a court, which were in force at that time	14
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(Corporations:)  to pass no special act conferring corporate powers, except for charitable, educational, penal, or reformatory purposes, where the corporations created are to be and remain under the patronage and control of the State	
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patronage and control of the State	
not to remit the forfeiture of the charter of any corporation existing at date of adoption of Constitution, or alter or amend the same, or pass any general or special law for the benefit of such corporation, except on condition that such corporation shall thereafter hold its charter, subject to the provisions of this Constitution	41
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The exercise of the right of eminent domain never to be abridged, or so construed as to prevent the Genern1 Assembly from taking the property and franchises of incorporated companies, and subjecting them to public use—the same as the property of individuals	
abridged, or so construed as to prevent the General Assembly from taking the property and franchises of incorporated com- panies, and subjecting them to public use—the same as the property of individuals	50
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not to pass any local or special bill suspending the operation of any general law for the benefit of any particular individ ual, corporation, or association	
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not, by any contract or grant to which the State may be a party, to surrender or suspend the power to tax corporations and cor-	
porate property	47
Except as provided in the Constitution, no law to be passed	.,
making the State a stockholder in, or subscriber to, or inter-	
ested in, the stock of any corporation or association	42
(by implication) not, by special law, to authorize the increase	
of the stock or bonded indebtedness of any private corpora-	
tion	42
(by intendment) not to authorize the appropriation, to the use of any corporation, of property or right of way, until full	
compensation therefor shall first be made to the owner, in	
money, or first secured to him by a deposit of money (such	
compensation to be ascertained in manner prescribed)	42
For constitutional conditions attached to the grant of eor-	
porate franchise to railroad, canal, and turnpike compa-	
nies (and, in particular instances, those attached to such	
grant to other transportation companies), see Art. XVII,	
(p. 48 et seq.), passim. The two following provisions may be selected, as instances of more express restriction upon	
legislative action:	
Any association or corporation, organized for the purpose, to	
have the right to construct and operate a railroad between any poin s within this State, and to connect, at the State line,	
any poin s within this State, and to connect, at the State line, with railroads of other States	
with railroads of other States	48

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to pass no law exempting from execution and sale the rolling stock or other movable property belonging to any railroad			
company or corporation in this State	17	11	50
not to exchange, transfer, remit, postpone, or in any way di-			
minish, any obligation or liability of any railroad, or other			
corporation, held or owned by the State	5	33	15
not to cause to be released any liability or obligation of any			
railroad, or other corporation, held or owned by the State,		99	15
except by payment thereof into the State treasury	5	33	15
not to provide for the release of the indebtedness of any cor- poration to the State, or for discharging the same in any man-			
ner save by payment into the public treasury	12	12	43
Restrictions upon powers, privileges, and franchises, of foreign			-
corporations which may be authorized to do business in this			
State	12	11	42
not to delegate the taxing power to the State's subordinate po-			
litical and municipal corporations, beyond the extent of pro-			
viding for their existence, maintenance, and well-being	2	23	6
not, except as in the Constitution otherwise provided, to pro-			
vide for the assumption or payment, by the State, of the			-
debt or liability of any county, town, city, or corporation,			
whatever, or any part thereof; unless such debt or liability			
shall have been created to repel invasion, suppress insurrec- tion, or to provide for the public welfare and defence	12	12	43
(Counties:)	14	12	10
not to reduce any county, established at date of adoption of			
Constitution, to an area of less than six hundred square miles,			•
nor to less than five thousand inhabitants, nor to establish			
any new county with less than six hundred square miles and			
five thousand inhabitants; Provided, that this prohibition		•	
shall not apply to the counties of Lafayette, Pope, and John-			
son, nor be so construed as to prevent the General Assembly			
from changing the line between the counties of Pope and	10		40
Johnson	13	1	43
not to take off any part of a county to form a new county, or a part thereof, without the consent of a majority of the voters			
in such part proposed to be taken off	13	2	43
not to establish or change any county-seat, without the consent	10	_	10
of a majority of the qualified voters of the county to be affect-			
ed by such change, nor until the place at which it is proposed			
to establish or change such county-seat shall be fully designa-			
ted; Provided, that in formation of new counties, the county-			
seat may be located temporarily, by provisions of law	13	3	44
In the formation of new counties, no line thereof to run within			
ten miles of the county-seat of the county proposed to be di-	***		
vided, except the county-seat of Lafayette county	13	4	44
(Elections:)			
not to interfere to prevent the free exercise of the right of suf-	3	2	7
not to enact any law whereby the right to vote at any election	9	4	•
shall be made to depend upon any previous registration of the			
elector's name	3	2	7
not to enact any law whereby the right to vote at any election			
shall be impaired or forfeited, except for the commission of a			
felony at common law, upon lawful conviction thereof	3	2	7
(Finance and Taxation:)			
not (with exceptions stated) to tax any one species of property			
from which a tax may be collected, higher than any other		_	
species of property of equal value	16	5	47
not to levy State tax or make appropriation of money, except to			
raise means for the payment of the just debts of the State, for			
defraying the necessary expenses of government, to sustain common schools, to repel invasion and suppress insurrection,			
except by a majority of two-thirds of both houses	. 5	31	15
not to levy State taxes, for any one year, to exceed, in the ag-	J	01	10
gregate, one per cent. of the assessed valuation of the prop-			
erty of the State	16	8	47
erty of the State not to delegate the taxing power to the State's subordinate polit- ical and municipal corporations, beyond the extent of provid-			
ical and municipal corporations, beyond the extent of provid- ing for their existence, maintenance, and well-being	2	, 23	6
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(by implication) not to authorize assessments on real prop-			
erty, for local improvements, elsewhere than in towns or			
cities, or not based upon the consent of a majority, in value, of the property-holders owning property adjoining the local-			
ity to be affected, or other than ad valorem and uniform	19	27	60
not to levy any general tax, for the support of common schools,			•
to exceed in any one year two mills on the dollar on the taxa-			
ble property of the State	14	3	44
not to authorize school districts to levy, in any one year, for			
school purposes, any tax to exceed five mills on the dollar	14	3	45
not to appropriate any special school district tax to any other			
purpose, nor to any other district than that for which it was	14	3	45
not to tax;	1.4	3	40
1. Public property used exclusively for public purposes:			
2. Cemeteries used exclusively as such:			
3, School buildings and apparatus:			
4. Libraries and grounds used exclusively for school purposes:			
5. Buildings, grounds, and materials, used exclusively for			
public charity	16	5	47
not, by any contract or grant to which the State may be a party,			
to surrender or suspend the power to tax corporations and corporate property	16	7	47
All laws exempting property from taxation, other than as pro-	10	4	41
vided in the Constitution, to be void	16	6	47
No moneys arising from a tax levied for one purpose, to be	-		
used for any other purpose	16	11	47
(by implication) not to appropriate any money or property be-			
longing to the public school fund, or to the State, for the bene-			
fit of schools or universities, for any other than the respective			
purposes to which it belongs	14	2	44
Never to loan the credit of the State for any purpose whatever	16	1	46
not to pass any act authorizing the issue of bills, notes, or other paper which may circulate as money	12	10	42
State never to issue any interest-bearing warrants or scrip	16	1	46
not to cause to be released any liability or obligation of any		-	20
railroad, or other corporation, held or owned by the State,			
except by payment thereof into the State treasury	5	33	15
not to exchange, transfer, remit, postpone, or in any way di-			
minish, any obligation or liability of any railroad, or other		00	15
not to provide for the release of the indebtedness of any cor-	5	33	15
poration to the State, or for discharging the same in any man-			
ner save by payment into the public treasury	12	12	43
not, except as in the Constitution otherwise provided, to provide			20
for the assumption or payment, by the State, of the debt or			
liability of any county, town, city, or corporation, whatever,			
or any part thereof; unless such debt or liability shall have			
been created to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or to			
provide for the public welfare and defence	12	12	43
except as provided in the Constitution, no law to be passed mak- ing the State a stockholder in, or subscriber to, or interested			
in, the stock of any corporation or association	12	7	42
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(Penal enactments:)			
not to pass bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing			
the obligation of contracts	2	17	5
not, under any circumstances, to authorize the exile of any person from the State	2	21	6
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(Practice:)			
(by implication) not to suspend privilege of writ of habeas cor-			
pus, except in case of rebellion, insurrection, or invasion,	2	11	4
when the public safety may require itnot to pass any law making the State of Arkansas defendant	Z	11	4
in any of her courts	5	20	13
not to pass any local or special bill changing the venue in crimi-		20	10
nal cases	5	24	14
not to limit the amount to be recovered for injuries resulting in death, or for injuries to persons or property	5.	32	15

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to pass no law exempting from execution and sale the rolling			
stock or other movable property belonging to any railroad			
company or corporation in this State	17	11	50
not, so far as regards contracts made before the time of the			
adoption of the Constitution of 1868, to alter or repeal any			
laws exempting property from sale on execution or by decree	o-	1	60
of a court, which were in force at that time	Se	1	00
See, also, for prohibitions in matter of practice in criminal			
prosecutions, the last six entries under sub-head of			
"(Rights, Privileges, etc.)," above.  (Public officers—except as regards matter of their compensation.)			
not to create any permanent State office, not expressly provided			
for by this Constitution	19	9	56
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(Schools:)			
(by implication) not to appropriate any money or property be-			
longing to the public school fund, or to the State, for the bene-			
fit of schools or universities, for any other than the respective	**		
purposes to which it belongs	14	2	44
not to levy any general tax, for the support of common schools.			
to exceed in any one year two mills on the dollar on the taxa-		_	
ble property of the State	14	3	44
not to authorize school districts to levy, in any one year, for			
school purposes, any tax to exceed five mills on the dollar	14	3	45
not to tax school buildings, or apparatus, or libraries or grounds			
used exclusively for school purposes	16	5	47
(Special legislation*:)			
not to pass any local or special law:			
1. Changing the venue in criminal cases	5	24	14
2. Changing the names of persons	5	24	14
3. Adopting children	5	24	14
4. Legitimating children	5	24	14
5. Granting divorces	5	24	14
6. Vacating roads, streets, or alleys	5	. 24	14
7. In any case where a general law can be made applicable	5	25	14
8. Suspending the operation of any general law for the benefit			
of any particular individual, corporation, or association	5	25	14
9. Where the courts have jurisdiction to grant the powers, or			
privileges, or the relief, asked for	5	25	14
10. Unless notice of the intention to apply for the local or spe-			
cial bill shall have been published, in the locality where the			
matter or the thing to be affected may be situated; such no-			
tice to be, at least, thirty days prior to the introduction,			
into the General Assembly, of such bill, and in the manner			
to be provided by law; the evidence of such notice to be			
exhibited, in the General Assembly, before such act shall be			
passed	5	26	14
See note at foot of page.			
(Miscellaneous:)			
No standing army to be kept in time of peace	2	27	6
Feudal tenures, with all their incidents, prohibited	2	28	7
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\*[Nore.] The manifold restrictions placed upon special legislation, by the Constitution of 1868, gave rise to an erroneous popular opinion, still somewhat prevalent since the adoption of the present instrument, that all special legislation is prohibited. It may not be improper to suggest a correction of this error.

As elsewhere remarked, it follows, from the grant, to the General Assembly, of the general logislative power (Art. V, Sec. 1. p. 10), that such power is absolute and unqualified, except as limited, either expressly or impliedly, by the restrictions of the Constitution of the State, or of that of the United States. The Legislature, therefore, is clothed with authority to pass any special or local law, in its pleasure, that may be consistent with the observance of these prohibitions.

The general provisions of the Constitution of Arkansas, in this regard, are given in the lat set of entries, under head of Special Legislation, above. Further requisites, in matter of procedure, are demanded by the Constitution, in order to the validity of passage of bills of this character. (See under the 4th set of entries.) The question of compliance, in the enactment of special laws, with the terms of the general provisions referred to, is in the first instance one for the discretion of the Legislature, and, in the end, for the decision of the courts. The Constitution, therefore, has set further prohibitions, in some instances specific, in others to be inferred only from the fact of a grant of legislative power being accompanied by the qualification, that it may be exercised "by general law." The latter class,—that of prohibitions only implied,—has been indicated, in the Index, above, by the use of the qualifying words, "(by intendment)," or "(by implication.)" In this regard, as in others, the matter scarcely admits of entirely accurate classification.

Many species of special legislation are inhibited by provisions, express or implied, applicable alike to general and to special laws. These, of course, are not here collated. They are to be found, in the Index, under "General Assembly," sub-head of Powers Denied, and in every positive enactment of the Constitution.

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AS PRESCRIBED UNTIL AFTER THE UNITED STATES CENSUS OF 1880.\*

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Dorsey		2002		
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FAULENEE         27th.         PULASKI         10th.           FRANKLIN         25th.         RANDOLPH         2d.           FULTON         23d.         SALINE         9th.           GABLAND         9th.         ST. FRANCIS         7th.           GEANT         9th.         SEARGY         23th.           GBERNE         1st.         SEASTIAN         28th.           HEMPSTEAD         20th.         Scott         22d.           HOT SPRING         9th.         Scott         22th.           HOWARD         22d.         SHARP         2d.           INDEPENDENCE         6th.         STONE         6th.           IZARD         23d.         UNION         18th.           JACKSON         29th.         VAN BUREN         26th.           JOHNSON         4th.         WHITE         27th.           LAPAYETE         21st.         WOODBUFF         7th.				
Franklin				
FULTON         23d.         SALINE         9th.           GARLAND         9th.         ST. FRANCIS         7th.           GRANT         9th.         SEARCY         26th.           GREENE         1st.         28th.         23th.           HEMPSTEAD         20th.         SEVIER         22d.           HOT SPRING         9th.         SCOTT         28th.           HOWARD         22d.         SHARP         2d.           INDEPENDENCE         6th.         STONE         6th.           IZABD         23d.         UNION         18th.           JACKSON         29th.         VAN BUREN         26th.           Jefferson         11th.         WASHINTON         5th.           JOHNSON         4th.         WHITE         27th.           LAPAYETTE         21st.         WOODBUFF         7th.		m, one		
Garland         9th.         St. Francis         7th.           Gbant         9th.         Searcy         26th.           Greene         1st.         Sebastian         28th.           Hempstrad         20th.         Seyier         22d.           Hot Spring         9th.         Scott         28th.           Howard         22d.         Sharp         2d.           Independence         6th.         Stone         6th.           Izard         23d.         Union         18th.           Jackson         29th.         Van Buren         26th.           Jefferson         11th.         Washington         5th.           Johnson         4th.         Whit         27th.           Lafafette         21st.         Woodbuff         7th.				
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Jefferson         11th,         Washington         5th.           Johnson         4th.         White         27th.           Lafayette         21st.         Woodruff         7th.				
JOHNSON         4th.         WHITE         27th.           LAFAYETTE         21st.         WOODRUFF         7th.			Washington	
LAFAYETTE 21st. WOODRUFF 7th.			WHITE	
LAWRENCE 2d. Yell 8th.	LAFAYETTE	21st.	WOODRUFF	7th.
	LAWRENCE	2d.	Yell	8th.

<sup>\*</sup>For list of Senatorial Districts, reciting the counties composing each, see Constitution, Art. VIII, Sec. 2, p. 35.

<sup>†</sup>Name changed from that of Clayton County, by Act of General Assembly, approved December 6th, 1875.

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<sup>[</sup>Created by Act of General Assembly, approved December 22d, 1874, and therein assigned to the Twenty-first Senatorial District.

#### APPORTIONMENT OF COUNTIES

TO

## JUDICIAL CIRCUITS,

AS PRESCRIBED UNTIL OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.\*

'COUNTY.	CIRCUIT.	COUNTY.	CIRCUIT.
ARKANSAS	11th.	Lee	1st.
ASHLEY		Lincoln	11th.
BAXTER	3d.	LITTLE RIVER	8th.
Benton	4th.	Logant	5th.
BOONE	4th.	LONOKE	
Bradley	10th.	Madison	4th.
Calhoun.	9th.	Marion	4th.
Carroll	4th.	[Miller]	9th.1
Снісот.	1	Mississippi	
CLARK	8th.	Monroe	1st.
CLAYT	2d.	MONTGOMERY	8th.
Columbia		NEVADA	
CONWAY	7th.	NEWTON	4th.
CRAIGHEAD	2d.	OUACHITA	9th.
Chawford	5th.	Perry	7th.
CRITTENDEN	2d.	PHILLIPS	1st.
Cross	2d.	PIKE	8th.
Dallas	10th.	Poinsett	2d.
DESHA	11th.	Polk	8th.
Dorsey	10th.	POPE	5th.
Drew	10th.	Prairie	1st.
FAULKNER	6th.	Pulaski	6th.
FRANKLIN	5th.	RANDOLPH	2d.
FULTON	3d.	SALINE	7th.
GARLAND.	7th.	St. Francis	
GRANT	7th.	SEARCY	4th.
GREENE	2d.	Sebastian	5th.
HEMPSTEAD	9th.	SEVIEB	8th.
HOT SPRING	7th.	Scott	8th.
HOWARD	8th.	Sharp	3d.
INDEPENDENCE		STONE.	3d.
IZARD		Union	
Jackson		Van Buren.	6th.
Jefferson		WASHINGTON	4th.
Johnson		WHITE	1st.
LAFAYETTE	9th.	Woodbuff.	1st.
LAWRENCE		YELL	5th.
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<sup>\*</sup>For list of Judicial Circuits, reciting the countles composing each, see Constitution, Art. XVIII, p. 51.

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