

them immediately after their adjournment ; and the yeas and nays of the members on any question shall, at the desire of any two members, be entered on the journals.

§ 16. All bills for raising revenue or appropriating moneys, shall originate in the house of representatives ; but the senate shall propose or concur with amendments, as in other bills.

§ 17. Every bill shall be read three times and on three separate days, in each branch of the general assembly, before it shall pass, unless in cases of actual invasion or insurrection ; nor shall any law or ordinance pass, containing any matter different from what is expressed in the title thereof ; and all acts shall be signed by the president in the senate, and speaker in the house of representatives : No bill or ordinance which shall have been rejected by either house, shall be brought in again during the session, under the same or any other title, without the consent of two-thirds of each branch.

§ 18. Each senator and representative, before he be permitted to take his seat, shall take an oath, or make affirmation, that he hath not practised any unlawful means, either directly or indirectly, to procure his election ; and every person shall be disqualified from serving as a senator or representative, for the term for which he shall have been elected, who shall be convicted of having given or offered any bribe, or treat, or canvassed for such election ; and every candidate employing like means, and not elected, shall, on conviction, be ineligible to hold a seat in either house, or to hold any office of honour or profit for the term of one year, and to such other disabilities or penalties as may be prescribed by law.

§ 19. Every member of the senate and house of representatives shall, before he takes his seat, take the following oath or affirmation, to wit : " I, A. B., do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that I have not obtained my election by bribery, treats, canvassing, or other undue or unlawful means, used by myself, or others by my desire or approbation, for that purpose ; that I consider myself constitutionally qualified as a senator or representative ; and that, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will give my vote, and so conduct myself, as may, in my judgment, appear most conducive to the interest and prosperity of this state ; and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same ; and to the utmost of my power and ability observe, conform to, support, and defend the constitution thereof."

§ 20. No person who hath been or may be convicted of felony before any court of this state, or any of the United States, shall be eligible to any office or appointment of honour, profit, or trust, within this state.

§ 21. Neither house, during the session of the general assembly, shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that at which the two branches shall be sitting ; and in case of disagreement between the senate and house of representatives, with respect to their adjournment, the governor may adjourn them.

§ 22. The general assembly shall have power to make all laws and ordinances which they shall deem necessary and proper for the good of the state, which shall not be repugnant to this constitution.

§ 23. They shall have power to alter the boundaries of the present counties, and to lay off new ones, as well out of the counties already laid off, as out of the other territory belonging to the state : but the property of the soil, in a free government, being one of the essential rights