

lation of this section shall be void; and as soon as practicable after the adoption of this constitution, it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint three persons, learned in the law, whose duty it shall be to prepare drafts of general laws, providing for the creation of corporation in such cases as may be proper, and for all other cases where a general law can be made, and for revising and amending, so far as may be necessary or expedient, the general laws which may be in existence on the first day of June, 1867, providing for the creation of corporations and for other purposes, and such drafts of laws shall, by said commissioners, be submitted to the General Assembly, at its first meeting, for its action thereon; and each of said commissioners shall receive a compensation of \$500 for his services as such commissioner. All charters granted or adopted in pursuance of this section, and all charters heretofore granted and created, subject to repeal or modification, may be altered from time to time or be repealed, provided nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to banks or the incorporation thereof.

Sec. 45. The General Assembly shall have power to regulate, by law, not inconsistent with this constitution, all matters which relate to the judges of election, time, place and manner of holding elections in this State, and of making returns thereof.

Sec. 46. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly, at its first session held after the adoption of this constitution, to provide by law for the punishment, by fine or imprisonment in the penitentiary, or both, in the discretion of the court, of any person who shall bribe or attempt to bribe any executive or judicial officer of the State of Maryland, or any member or officer of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, or any municipal officer in the State of Maryland, or any executive officer of such corporation, in order to influence him in the performance of any of his official duties; and also to provide by law for the punishment by fine, or imprisonment in the penitentiary, or both, in the discretion of the court, of any of said officers or members who shall demand or receive any bribe, fee, reward or testimonial for the performance of his official duties, or for neglecting or failing to perform the same; and also to provide by law for com-