AUCTION SALES.

P. M. DAVIS, Auctioneer.
Commercial Sales Rooms, corner of Wood and 4th Sts

GOLD & SILVER WATCHES, GUNS, &c. At Auction—On Tuesday evening, Aug. 5th, at 8 o'clock will be sold at the commercial sale rooms, corner of Wood and Fifth sts., 1 side gun, 3 smooth bore guns, 3 shot guns, 2 revolving pistols, 4 second-hand English and detached lever gold watches, 10 assorted silver watches, gold lockets, &c., &c. and P. M. DAVIS, Auct.

FALLING TOP BAROUCHE At Auction —On Tuesday morning, Aug. 5, at 11 o'clock, will be sold at the commercial sales rooms corner of Wood and Fifth sts., a falling top Barouche, in good order, suitable for one or two horses. and P M DAVIS, Auct.

STAPLE & FANCY DRY GOODS, &c. At Auction.—On Monday morning, Aug. 4th, at 10 o'clock, will be sold at the commercial sales rooms, corner of Wood & 4th sts., a large and general assortment of reasonable Dry Goods, Staple Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c. and P. M. DAVIS, Auct.

RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendments are proposed to the constitution of the Commonwealth, in accordance with the provisions of the tenth article thereof:

FIRST AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional article to said constitution to be designated as article eleven, as follows:

ARTICLE XI.

OF PUBLIC DEBTS.

SECTION 1. The state may contract debts, to supply casual deficits or failures in revenue, or to meet expenses not otherwise provided for, but the aggregate amount of such debts direct and contingent, whether contracted by virtue of one or more acts of the general assembly, or at different periods of time, shall never exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the money arising from the creation of such debts, shall be applied to the purpose for which it was obtained, or to repay the debts so contracted, and to no other purpose whatever.

SECTION 2. In addition to the above limited power the state may contract debts to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, defend the state in war, or to redeem the present outstanding indebtedness to the state; but the money arising from the contracting of such debts, shall be applied to the purpose for which it was raised, or to repay such debts, and to no other purpose whatever.

SECTION 3. Except the debts above specified, in sections one and two of this article, no debt whatever shall be created by, or on behalf of the state.

SECTION 4. To provide for the payment of the present debt, and any additional debt contracted as aforesaid, the legislature shall, at its first session, after the adoption of this amendment, create a sinking fund, which shall be sufficient to pay the accruing interest on such debt, and annually to reduce the principal thereof by a sum not less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which sinking fund shall consist of the net annual income of the public works, from time to time owned by the state, or the proceeds of the sale of the same, or any part thereof, and of the income or proceeds of sale of stocks owned by the state, together with other funds, or resources, that may be designated by law. The said sinking fund may be increased, from time to time, by setting apart to it any part of the taxes, or other revenues of the state, not require for the ordinary and current expenses of government, and unless in case of war, invasion or insurrection, no part of the said sinking fund shall be used or applied otherwise than in extinguishment of the public debt, until the amount of such debt is reduced below the sum of five millions of dollars.

SECTION 5. The credit of the commonwealth shall not in any manner, or ever, be pledged, or loaned to, any individual, company, corporation, or association; nor shall the commonwealth hereafter become a joint owner or stockholder, in any company, association, or corporation.

SECTION 6. The commonwealth shall not assume the debt, or any part thereof, of any county, city, borough, or township, or of any corporation, or association; unless such debt shall have been contracted to make the state to repel invasion, suppress domestic insurrection, defend itself in war, or to assist the state in the discharge of any portion of its present indebtedness.

SECTION 7. The legislature shall not authorize any county, city, borough, township, or incorporated district, by virtue of a vote of its citizens, or otherwise, to become a stockholder in any civil, or military, or corporation or to obtain money for, or loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution, or party.

SECOND AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional article to said constitution to be designated as article XII, as follows:

ARTICLE XII.

OF NEW COUNTIES.

No county shall be divided, or by line cutting off over one tenth of its population, nether to form a new county or otherwise, without the express assent of such county, by a vote of the electors thereof nor shall any new county be established, containing less than four hundred square miles.

THIRD AMENDMENT.

From section two of the first article of the constitution, strike out the words, "*of the city of Philadelphia*, and of each county respectively," from section five, the same article, strike out the words, "*of Philadelphia and of the several counties*," from section seven, same article, strike out the words, "*neither the city of Philadelphia nor any*," and insert in lieu thereof, the words, "*and no*," and strike out section four, same article, and in lieu thereof insert the following:

"SECTION 4. In the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, and in every twenty year thereafter, representatives to the number of one hundred, shall be apportioned and distributed among the state, by districts, in proportion to the number of taxable inhabitants in the several parts thereof, except that any county containing less than three thousand five hundred taxables may be allowed a separate representation; but no more than three counties shall be joined, and no county shall be divided, in the formation of a district, containing a sufficient number of taxables to entitle it to at least two representatives, shall have a separate representation assigned it, and shall be divided into convenient districts of contiguous territory, of equal taxable population as near as may be, each of which districts shall elect one representative."

At the end of section seven, same article, insert these words, "*the city of Philadelphia shall be divided into single senatorial districts, of contiguous territory, as nearly equal in taxable population as possible; but no ward shall be divided in the formation thereof.*"

The legislature, at its first session, after the adoption of this amendment, shall divide the city of Philadelphia into senatorial and representative districts, in the manner above provided; such districts to remain unchanged until the apportionment in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

FOURTH AMENDMENT.

To be Section XXVI, Article 1.

The legislature shall have the power to alter, revoke, or annul, any charter of incorporation heretofore conferred by, or under, any special, or general law, whenever in their opinion it may be to injurious to the citizens of the commonwealth in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators.

IN SENATE, April 21, 1856.

Resolved, That this resolution pass. On the first amendment, yeas 21, nays 5. On the second amendment, yeas 19 nays 6. On the third amendment, yeas 20, nays 4. On the fourth amendment, yeas 22, nays 4.

Extract from the Journal.

THOMAS A. MAGUIRE, Clerk.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 21, 1856.

Resolved, That this resolution pass. On the first amendment, yeas 74, nays 24. On the second amendment, yeas 63, nays 24. On the third amendment, yeas 64, nays 22, and on fourth amendment, year 69, nays 16.

Extract from Journal.

WILLIAM JACK, Clerk.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, } A. G. CURTIN,
Filed April 21, 1856. } *Secy of the Commonwealth.*

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Harrisburg, June 27, 1856.

Pennsylvania, ss:

I do certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original "Resolution relative to an amendment of the Constitution" as the same remains on file in this office.

IN testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Secretary's Office, the day and year above written.

A. G. CURTIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

IN SENATE, April 21, 1856.

Resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, being under consideration,

On motion the question

Will the Senate agree to the first amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Browne, Buckalew, Cresswell, Evans, Hopkins, Ingram, Jamison, Knox, Lantusch, Lewis, McClintock, Selfridge, Shuman, Souther, Strubb, Walton, Weaver and Wilkins—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Crabb, Ferguson, Gregg, Pratt, Price and Plato, *Speaker*—6.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the third amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Browne, Buckalew, Crabb, Cresswell, Evans, Ferguson, Hopkins, Ingram, Jamison, Jordan, Knox, Lantusch, Lewis, McClintock, Mellinger, Pratt, Price, Selfridge, Shuman, Souther, Strubb, Taggart, Walton, Weaver, Wilkins and Plato, *Speaker*—23.

NAYS—Mr. Gregg—1.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the fourth amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Anderson, Backus, Baldwin, Ball, Beck, (Lycoming), Beck, (York), Bernhard, Bond, Boyer, Brown, (Lycoming), Buckalew, Campbell, Carr, Craig, Crawford, Dowdall, Edinger, Fausold, Foster, Fry, Getz, Hamel, Harper, Helm, Hibbs, Hill, Hillegas, Hipple, Holcomb, Housekeeper, Hunsicker, Imbrie, Ingham, Irvin, Johnson, Jordan, Laporte, Lehr, Longstreth, McCandless, McCarthy, McCleary, McCombs, Maupin, Meaner, Miller, Montgomery, Moorhead, Nunnemacher, Orr, Pearson, Ramsey, Reed, Reinhold, Riddle, Roberts, Shaw, Smith, (Allegheny), Smith, (Cambria), Smith, (Lycoming), Stevenson, Vail, Wallace, Wright, (Dauphin), Wright, (Luzerne), Zimmerman and Wright, *Speaker*—79.

NAYS—Messrs. Angstadt, Barry, Clover, Coburn, Fulton, Gibbons, Hamilton, Hancock, Hopkins, Hunter, Lamborn, Mason, McCoy, Moore, Pattison, Salsbury, Smith, (Philadelphia), Walter, Wintrode, Yearsley and Wright, *Speaker*—25.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the fourth amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the Constitution, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Anderson, Backus, Ball, Beck, (Lycoming), Beck, (York), Bernhard, Bond, Boyer, Brown, (Lycoming), Buckalew, Campbell, Carr, Craig, Crawford, Dowdall, Edinger, Fausold, Foster, Fry, Getz, Hamel, Harper, Helm, Hibbs, Hill, Hillegas, Hipple, Holcomb, Housekeeper, Hunsicker, Imbrie, Ingham, Irvin, Johnson, Laporte, Lehr, Longstreth, McCandless, McCarthy, McCleary, McCombs, Maupin, Meaner, Miller, Montgomery, Moorhead, Nunnemacher, Orr, Pearson, Ramsey, Reed, Reinhold, Riddle, Roberts, Shaw, Smith, (Allegheny), Smith, (Cambria), Smith, (Lycoming), Stevenson, Vail, Wallace, Wright, (Dauphin), Wright, (Luzerne), Zimmerman and Wright, *Speaker*—79.

NAYS—Messrs. Angstadt, Barry, Clover, Coburn, Fulton, Gibbons, Hamilton, Hancock, Hopkins, Hunter, Lamborn, Mason, McCoy, Moore, Pattison, Salsbury, Smith, (Philadelphia), Walter, Wintrode and Yearsley—24.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the third amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Anderson, Backus, Baldwin, Ball, Beck, (Lycoming), Beck, (York), Bernhard, Bond, Boyer, Brown, (Lycoming), Buckalew, Campbell, Carr, Craig, Crawford, Dowdall, Edinger, Fausold, Foster, Fry, Getz, Hamel, Harper, Helm, Hibbs, Hill, Hillegas, Hipple, Holcomb, Housekeeper, Hunsicker, Imbrie, Ingham, Irvin, Johnson, Laporte, Lehr, Longstreth, McCandless, McCarthy, McCleary, McCombs, Maupin, Meaner, Miller, Montgomery, Moorhead, Nunnemacher, Orr, Pearson, Phelps, Purnell, Ramsey, Reed, Riddle, Shank, Smith, (Allegheny), Smith, (Cambria), Smith, (Wyoming), Thompson, Vail, Wallace, Wheelock, Wright, (Dauphin), Wright, (Luzerne), Zeigler, Zimmerman and Wright, *Speaker*—90.

NAYS—Messrs. Barry, Clover, Coburn, Fulton, Gibbons, Hamilton, Hancock, Hunter, Ingham, Lamborn, Mason, Manley, Morris, Pattison, Salsbury, and Wintrode—16.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Harrisburg, June 27, 1856.

Pennsylvania, ss:

I do certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the "Yeas and Nays" taken on the resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, as the same appears on the Journals of the two Houses of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth for the session of 1856.

Witness my hand and the seal of said office, this twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

A. G. CURTIN,
Secretary, c. Commonwealth.

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Notice.

LETTERS Testamentary having been granted to the subscribers on the estate of Marion Young, dec'd, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to present the same for settlement, and all persons indebted to the same are requested to call and settle without delay.

THOS. SPROUL,
ALEX. WALLACE.

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