ARTICLE VII.

OATH OF OFFICE.

SECTION I. Sensions and Representatives and all judicial, State, and county officers, shall, before entering on the duties of their respective offices, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation:

"I do solemnty swear for affirm that I will support obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity; that I have not paid or contributed, or promised to pay or contribute, or promised to pay or contributed this, that I will not know ingly receive, directly or findirectly, any money or other valuable thing for the performance or non-performance of any act or duty pertaining to my office, other than the compensation allowed by law."

The foregoing oath shall be administered by some person suthorized to administer oaths, and in the case of State officers and Judges of the Suprema Court, shall be siled in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and in the case of the Frothonotary of the country in which the same is taken; any person retusing to take said oath of affirmation shall forfeit his office, and any person who shall be convicted or harring sworm or affirmation, shall be convicted or harring sworm or affirmation, shall be convicted or harring sworm or suffices of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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ARTICLE VIII.

SECTION). Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections:

First, He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one mouth.

Second, He shall have resided in the State one year for if, having previously been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the State, he shall have personally been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the State, he shall have personal that the shall have resided in the election district where he shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two mouths immediately preceding the election.

Fourth. If twenty-two years of age or upwards, he shall have paid within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election.

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Sich 2. The general election shall be held annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two thirds of all the members of each house consenting thereto.

Sich 3. All elections for city, ward, borough, and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the third Tuesday of February.

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Sich 5. Electors shall in all cases except treason, felony, and breach or surety of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance on elections and in going to and returning therefrom.

Rich 6. Whenever any of the qualified electors of this Commonwealth shall be in actual military service, under a requisition from the President of the United States or by the authority of this Commonwealth such electors may exercise the right of suffrage in all elections by the citizens, under such regulations as are or elsall be prescribed by law, as fully as if they were present at their usual places of election.

Sic, 7. All laws regulating the holding of elections ball

mations as are or shall be prescribed by law, as fully as if they were present at their usual places of elections by the citizens or for the registration of elections by the citizens or for the registration of elections shall be uniform throughout the state, but no elector shall be deprived of the privilege of voting by reason of his name not being registated.

The car Ainy persin who shall give or promise or offer to give to an elector, any money, reward or other valuable consideration for his vote at an election or for withholding the same, or who shall give or promise to give such consideration to any other person or party for such elector's vote, or for the withholding the same, are who shall give or promise to give such consideration to any other person or party for such elector's vote, or for the withholding thereof, and any election who have a such election, and any elector whose right to vote shall be challenged for such cause before the election officers shall be required to save ar or affirm that the matter of the challenge is untrue before his vote shall be challenged for such cause before the election officers shall be required to save ar or affirm that the matter of the challenge is untrue before his vote shall be challenged for any election law, shall be received.

Skr 9. Any person who shall, while a candidate for office any election law, shall be forever disqualified from helding an office of trust or profit in this Commonwealth; such any person convicted of will-hal violation of the election law, shall, in addition of any election she and proved of the radia of surface shealthey give a term of four years.

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SEC. 10: In trials of contested elections, and in pro-ceedings for the investigation of elections, no person shall be permitted to withhold his testimony upon the ground that it may criminate hiraself or subject him to public infamy; but such testimony shall not afterwards be used against him in any judicial pro-ceeding, except for perjury in giving such testimo-tic.

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hity voice shall have been police therein; and other election districts whenever the court of the proper county shall be of opinion that the convenience of the electors and the public interests will be promoted that it is a state of the elections by persons and representative capacity shall be viva voice.

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shall the law indiges thereof; the General Assembly shall, by general law, designate the courts and judges by when the several classes of election contests shall be tried, and regulate the manner of trial and all matters incident thereto; but no such law assigning jurisdiction, or regulating its exercise, shall apply to any contest arising out of an election held before its nearly prombit.

ARTICLE IX.

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Size 2. All laws excerpting properly from a xation, other than the projecty above summerated, shall be some a party.

Size 3. The power to tax corporations and corporate property shall not be surrendered or suspended by any contract or grant to which the State shall be a party.

Size 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasion, suppress, insertiction, defending the state of the state, except to supply define actual selfs, and the development of the state shall specify the purpose for which the minuty is to be med, and the money so borrowed shall be used for the purpose specified and no other.

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disqualification is than five years.

EDUCATION. SEC 1. The General Assembly shall provide for the maintainance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public schools, wherein all the children of this Commonwealth, above the age of 8x years, may be educated, and shall appropriate at least one million dollars dech year for that purpose.

SEC 2. No money raised for the support of the public schools of the Commonwealth shall be appropriated to or used for the support of any sectarian school.

SEC 3. Weapen twenty one years of age and upwards shall be eligible to any office of control or management under the school laws of this State.

ARTICLE XI

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SECTION 1. The freemen of this Commonwealth shall be armed, organized and disciplined for its defense when and in such manner as may be directed by law. The General Assembly shall provide for maintaining the militia by appropriations from the Treasury of the Commonwealth, and may exempt from military service persons having conscientions scruples against bearing arm.

ARTICLE XII.

PUBLIC OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. All officers whose selection is not provided for in this constitution shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law.

SEC. 2. No member of Congress from this State, not any person holding or exercising any office of appointing at the same fine hold of exercise any office in this state to which a salary, fee, or perquisites shall be attached. The General Assembly may by law declare what offices are incompatible.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall fight a duel or send a challenge for that purpose, or be adder or abstract in gehting a died, shall be deprived of the right of holding any cliffe of homer or short. In this State, and may be otherwise punished as shall be prescribed by law.

ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. No new county shall be established which shall neduce any county to less than four fundred square miles, or less that twenty thousand in habitants; nor shall any county be formed of less area, or containing a less population, nor shall any line thereof pass within ten miles of the county sea of any county proposed to be divided.

CITIES AND CITY CHARTERS.

SECTION 1. Cities may be chartered whenever a majority of the electors of any town or borough having a population of at least ten thousand shall vote at any general election in favor of the same.

SEC. J. No debt shall be contracted or liability incurred by any municipal commission, except in pursuance of an appropriation previously made therefor by the numicipal government.

SEC. J. Every city shall create a sinking find, which shall be inviolably piedged for the payment of its funded debt.

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ARTICLE XVI.

FRIVATE CORPORATIONS.

SECTION I. All existing charters, or grants of special or exclusive privileges, under which a bona fide organisation shall not have taken place and business been commenced in good faith at the time of the aloption of this Constitution, shall thereafter have no validity.

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