

section of the act of fifteenth March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, two hundred copies of each report shall be reserved for the use of the department from which it may have originated, except of the report of the superintendent of common schools of which one thousand five hundred copies shall be so reserved, and of the Governor's annual message five hundred copies shall be reserved for his use.

2. That all orders for Binding for the use of the Legislature, the Executive Departments or their officers, the Canal Commissioners or their officers, shall be executed under the supervision of the Superintendent of the public printing by the State Printer; and no accounts for the same shall be allowed unless accompanied by the certificate of said Superintendent.

3. That the Superintendent of the public printing shall require the acceptance of the provisions of the preceeding sections of this act, from the present State Printer which shall be in writing and filed in the office of the Auditor General, after which it shall be of full force and effect.

4. That the Auditor General is hereby authorized to settle the account of the Superintendent of public printing annually, for the necessary contingent expenses of said office, and draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer for the amount found due.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four

WM. BIGLER.

No. 10.

RESOLUTION

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

SECTION 1. *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met,* That the following amendments be and the same are hereby proposed to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, under and in accordance with the provisions of the tenth article thereof, to wit:

PROPOSITION 1, TO BE ARTICLE XI.

SECTION 1. The aggregate amount of debts hereafter contracted by the Commonwealth shall never exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, except in case of war to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or to redeem the public debt of the Commonwealth, and the money so raised shall be applied to the

purpose for which the debt may be contracted or pay such debts, and to no other purpose.

SECTION 2. To pay the public debt of the Commonwealth, and debts which may hereafter be contracted in case of war to repel invasion, suppress insurrection and to redeem the public debt, the Legislature shall at their next session after the adoption of this section into the constitution, provide by law for the creation of a sinking fund, which shall not be abolished till the said public debts be wholly paid, to consist of all the net annual income from the public works and stocks owned by the Commonwealth, or any other funds arising under any revenue law now existing or that may be hereafter enacted, so far as the same may be required to pay the interest of said debts semi-annually, and annually to reduce the principal thereof by a sum not less than five hundred thousand dollars, increased yearly by compounding at a rate of not less than five per centum per annum; the said sinking fund shall be invested in the loans of the Commonwealth, which shall be cancelled from time to time in a manner to be provided by law: no portion of the sinking fund shall ever be applied to the payment of the debt of five hundred thousand dollars mentioned in the first section of this article, but the said sinking fund shall be applied only to the purposes herein specified.

SECTION 3. The credit of the Commonwealth shall not in any way be given or loaned to or in aid of any individual, company, corporation or association, nor shall the Commonwealth hereafter become a joint owner or stockholder in any company, association or corporation in this Commonwealth or elsewhere, formed for any purposes.

SECTION 4. The Commonwealth shall never assume the debts of any county, city, borough or township, or of any corporation or association, unless such debts shall have been contracted to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or to defend the State in war.

PROPOSITION 2, TO BE ARTICLE XI.

Prohibiting Municipal Subscriptions.

The Legislature shall never authorize any county, city, borough or township, by vote of its citizens or otherwise, to become a stockholder in any joint stock company, association or corporation, or to raise money for, or loan its credit to, or in aid of any such company or association.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.