

a great misdemeanor; they may examine and pass all accounts of the state, relating either to the collection or expenditure of the revenue, or appoint auditors to state and adjust the same; they may call for papers and records, and send for persons, which they may judge necessary, in the course of their enquiries, concerning affairs relating to the public interest, and may direct all bonds given by officers or persons employed in the collection or expenditure of public money to be sued for any breach of duty.

40. That the senate may originate any other, except money bills, to which their assent or dissent only shall be given, and may receive any other bills from the house of delegates, and assent, dissent or propose amendments.

41. That no bill shall originate with the governor, nor shall he propose amendments to any bill passed by the house of delegates and senate.

42. That the house of delegates may punish, by imprisonment, any person who shall be guilty of a contempt in their view, by any disorderly or riotous behaviour, or by threats to, or abuse of their members, or by any obstruction to their proceedings; they may also punish, by imprisonment, any person who shall be guilty of a breach of privilege, by arresting on civil process, or by assaulting, any of their members, during their sitting, or on their way or return to the house of delegates, or by any assault of, or obstruction to their officers, in the execution of any orders or process, or by assaulting or obstructing any witness, or any other person, attending on, or on their way to or from, the house, or by rescuing any person committed by the house; and the senate may exercise the same power, in similar cases.

43. That there be persons, learned in the law, appointed judges of the court of appeals, whose judgment shall be final and conclusive in all cases of appeal, from the general court, court of chancery, court of admiralty, and prerogative court: That one person, learned in the law, be appointed chancellor: That three persons, learned in the law, be appointed judges of the court, now called the provincial court; and that the same court be hereafter called and known by the name of *the general court*.

44. That the stile of all laws run thus, "Be it enacted by the general assembly of Maryland:" That all public commissions and grants run thus, "The state of Maryland to A. B. &c. greeting," and shall bear test by the governor, with the seal of the state annexed: That all writs shall