

CONSTITUTION

AND

SCHEDULE

ADOPTED

IN CONVENTION,

AT

CHARLESTON, APRIL 9TH, 1872.



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person who shall, in his presence or hearing, while in the discharge of his duties as a justice, swear any profane oath or oaths, not exceeding two dollars for each offense.

Conservators of the peace : power to fine for swearing profane oaths, &c.

168. If a justice shall, from his own observation or upon information of others, have good reason to believe that any person in his county is habitually carrying about his person concealed weapons, such as dirks, bowie-knives, pistols or other dangerous weapons, it shall be the duty of such justice to cause such person to be arrested and brought before him, and if such person upon trial shall be found guilty, he shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars.

Concealed weapons.

Penalty.

169. If any justice of the peace shall wilfully fail to execute the duties imposed upon him by the one hundred and sixty-seventh and one hundred and sixty-eighth sections of this act he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and liable to an indictment in the circuit court of his county for the same, and if found guilty, shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars.

Penalty on justice for failure to execute duties imposed

170. The justice shall in all cases have power to summon witnesses to appear before him on the trial of any cause, or upon the investigation of any subject of which he has jurisdiction, and compel their attendance by fine or attachment.

Power to summon witnesses and compel attendance.

171. A justice upon the trial of any offense against the state shall in his practice conform as near as may be to the practice of the county court.

Practice in justices court in trials of offenses against the state.

172. Chapter fifty of the code, and the act entitled, "an act in relation to the jurisdiction, powers and duties of justices of the peace and constables," approved January twentieth, 1873, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

173. This act shall take effect on the first day of April, 1873.

Commencement.