

Messrs. Brewer of Montgomery, Brooke, Dent, Duvall, Emach, Ford, Giddings, Goldsborough of Dorchester, Hall, Hodson, Horsey of Somerset, Ireland, Jamison, Lee, Marbury, Massey, Mitchell, Morris, C. S. Parran, John Parran, Peters, Reynolds, Rider, Riggs, Stoddert, Tarr of Worcester and Watkins of Montgomery.

Mr. Rider submitted the following as a substitute.

“The Legislature shall issue no bonds nor contract any debt in the name of the State, to pay for the slaves emancipated by the Convention of 1864.”

Mr. Dent submitted an amendment to strike out all after the word “but,” and insert, “shall take such steps as may be deemed necessary to urge upon the United States such aid in compensation for emancipation in this State as was pledged by the passage of the joint resolution passed by the Congress of the United States, April 10, 1862, and shall pass such laws as may be necessary for the distribution of such aid as may be received from the United States for that purpose.”

Mr. Stoddert again took the floor in favor of State compensation, and claimed that a precedent had been set by paying from the State treasury damages to Reverdy Johnson for mob violence in 1837.

The substitute of Mr. Rider was rejected.

The amendment of Mr. Dent was then adopted by yeas 37, nays 30.

No further amendments being offered, sections 34 and 35 were read and passed over without amendment.

Section 36 was read.

Mr. Archer moved to strike out all after the word “compensation.”

Considerable debate ensued, and without action the Convention adjourned.

[The sum agreed upon yesterday which may be appropriated in aid of internal improvements in Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert counties, is \$500,000.]