

The consideration of the thirty-sixth section was then proceeded with. It is as follows:

“The General Assembly shall enact no law authorizing private property to be taken for public use without just compensation, as agreed upon between the parties or awarded by a jury, being first paid or tendered to the party entitled to such compensation, or adequate security shall first be given to such party, by the deposit of a sufficient sum of money in such place and manner and subject to such conditions as may be provided by law.”

The question was on the amendment of Mr. McCormick, to strike out all after the word “compensation,” the second time it occurs.

The amendment was adopted.

Section 37 was read and slightly amended.

Section 38 was read, and on motion of Mr. Dent it was amended so as to read as follows:

“The General Assembly shall pass laws for the preservation of the purity of elections.”

Mr. Barnes moved to insert “primary and all other” before the word “elections.”

The amendment was rejected, and without further action the Convention adjourned.

FORTY-SECOND DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, SATURDAY, JUNE 29.

Convention met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Father Burke. The roll was called, but no quorum was present in consequence of a large number of members being with the Presidential party.

At 10.45 a quorum having arrived, Mr. Barnes, from the committee on public works and corporations, submitted the following report:

ARTICLE—CITY OF BALTIMORE.

Section 1. The inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, qualified by law to vote in said city for members of the House of Delegates, shall, on the second Wednesday of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and on the