

## SIXTY-SIXTH DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7.

Convention met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hammond.

Mr. Ireland presented a petition from Samuel B. Wilson and forty-three other citizens of Calvert county in favor of that county being placed in the fifth judicial circuit.

Mr. Lee submitted the following, which was adopted:

*Ordered*, That when all the articles designed to compose the constitution shall have been read the third time and passed, they shall be recommitted to the committee on revision and compilation, with instructions to arrange and compile the same in the order they ought to be to form the entire constitution, and when they shall have been so arranged and compiled they shall be reported to the Convention for final approval and for the signature of the President and secretary, after which the constitution shall be deposited in the office of the clerk of the Court of Appeals.

The report of the committee on the treasury department was then taken up on its third reading, and certain verbal amendments reported by the committee on revision and compilation were agreed to.

The committee proposed an amendment to the sixth section, providing that in case of the removal by the Governor of the Treasurer or Comptroller for incompetency, malfeasance in office, &c., he shall, if the Legislature is not in session, within thirty days thereafter summon the Senate, and lay the case before them, when, if his action be not confirmed, the deposed officer will be restored to his functions.

Mr. Lee said the section as now constituted gave the Governor power to try and remove, but the amendment limits his power to that of suspension only, the removal to require the consent of the Senate. It was thought that the Governor ought not to be clothed with so large a power over elected officers whose functions are so important. The committee submitted the amendment to the Convention, leaving it to them to decide upon it.