

be created or appointed except with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

Several amendments were offered, but were not finally acted upon, the point being made and sustained that the proposition was not at that time in order.

Mr. Longwell, from the committee on printing, made a report that they have ascertained from Mr. Geo. Colton, the contractor for printing the journal and debates of the Convention, that in consequence of the Convention declining to print its debates, the fulfillment of his contract will entail serious loss upon him, but that he can print the journal of proceedings at \$2. per page, and such other matter as may be ordered by the Convention, on such fair and reasonable terms as may be agreed upon between him and the committee.

The report was adopted, and on motion of Mr. Barnes, the Comptroller was authorized to contract with Mr. Colton, in accordance therewith.

Mr. Nelson, of Frederick, submitted the following, which was received, read and ordered to be printed:

A Minority Report of the Committee on the Declaration of Rights.—As one of the committee to whom was referred the consideration of the Declaration of Rights, I beg leave to report. The Declaration of Rights as reported by the chairman of said committee, with the exception of article 36, for which I beg leave to report the following:

Art. 36. That as it is the duty of every man to worship God in such manner as he thinks most acceptable to Him, all persons are equally entitled to protection in their religious liberty, wherefore no person ought by any law to be molested in his person or estate on account of his religious persuasion or profession, or for his religious practice, unless, under color of religion, any man shall disturb the good order, peace or safety of the State, or shall infringe the laws of morality, or injure others in their natural, civil or religious rights; nor ought any person to be compelled to frequent or maintain, or contribute to maintain, unless on contract, any place of worship or any ministry; nor shall any person be deemed incom-