

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, being the resolution submitted by Mr. Bowie, from the majority of the committee appointed to examine the credentials and to inquire into the qualifications of members of the Convention, and the resolution submitted by Mr. Brent, of Baltimore city, the minority of said committee, as an amendment thereto.

Mr. Donaldson moved to amend the resolution of the majority of the committee by striking out all after the word "resolved," and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"That all civil officers of the State, whether commissioned or not, who have resided within the State of Maryland, for twelve months next preceding their election, are eligible to seats in this Convention;

Which was read.

And after debate thereon, at 3 o'clock P. M.;

On motion of Mr. Tuck,

The Convention adjourned until to morrow morning 11 o'clock.

THURSDAY, December 5th, 1850.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Present the same members as on yesterday.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graff.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The President laid before the Convention a report from the clerk of Anne Arundel county court, in compliance with the order of the Convention of the 15th ult.;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Sellman submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on the Legislative Department be directed to inquire into the expediency of conferring upon the Senate the power of amending money bills.

Which was read.

Mr. Wells moved to amend said order by inserting after the words "power of," the words "originating and;"

Which amendment was accepted by Mr. Sellman.

The said order was then adopted as amended.

On motion of Mr. Wells, it was

Ordered, That the clerks of the Court of Appeals of the Eastern and Western Shores, be requested to furnish this Convention with the number of cases argued and decided in said courts, during the years 1815,-'16,-'17,-'18,-'19 and '20, and to state the number of those cases in which opinions were filed, and the number in which judgments were given, without opinions being filed.