

by a majority of the members present, the said previous question was put, that is,

“Shall the main question be now put?” and it was Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, on the amendment as offered by Mr. Ridgely.

Mr. Smith moved for the yeas and nays, which being ordered appeared as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Morgan, Blakistone, Hopewell, Ricaud, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Sellman, Weems, Dalrymple, Bond, Jenifer, Ridgely, John Dennis, Crisfield, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Phelps, Miller, McLane, Sprigg, McCubbin, Wright, Stewart of Caroline, Hardcastle, Brent of Baltimore city, Kilgour, Waters and Hollyday—34.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Dent, Lee, Kent, Bell, Welch, Sherwood, of Talbot, Colston, James U. Dennis, Dashiell, Eccleston, Chambers of Cecil, McCallough, Grason, George, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, McHenry, Nelson, Carter, Thawley, Gwinn, Ware, Fiery, Neill, jr., John Newcomer, Harbine, Brewer, Weber, Slicer, Fitzpatrick, Smith, Parke, Shower, Cockey and Brown.—42.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurred and was put on the adoption of the order as offered by Mr. Brent, of Baltimore city; and

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Jenifer gave notice that on to-morrow, he should offer the following order.

Ordered, That it be incorporated among the standing rules of this body, that no member shall speak at one time longer than one hour, nor more than one hour on the same question.

Mr. Dorsey submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the rule adopted as to the attendance of members of this Convention shall not apply to members who will state that the cause of their absence was their necessary attendance to the business of this Convention ;

Which was read.

Pending this question, and after debate thereon,

On motion of Mr. Jenifer,

The Convention resumed the consideration of the order of the day.

The Convention again resolved itself into a committee of the Whole, upon the report submitted by Mr. Chambers, of Kent, on the 13th ultimo, as chairman of the committee on the Elective Franchise, (Mr. Blakistone being in the Chair,) the following proceedings occurred in committee of the Whole.

Mr. McHenry withdrew the amendment offered by him on yesterday.