

Mr. Biser, gave notice that the hour had arrived for taking up the order of the day;

Mr. Harbine, moved to postpone the order of the day,
Determined in the negative.

Mr. Jenifer, chairman of committee No. 14, submitted the following article to the constitution :

“The Legislature shall not pass any law to abolish or change the relation of Master and Slave as it now exists in this State.”

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Jenifer,

Said article was unanimously adopted.

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, being the report submitted by Mr. Dorsey on the 11th ult., as chairman of the committee on the Declaration of Rights.

The question pending before the Convention, being on the amendment offered by Mr. Hicks on yesterday, to the amendment offered by Mr. Presstman.

After debate thereon,

Mr. Brown, moved the previous question, that is :

“Shall the main question be now put?” and it was

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put on the amendment as offered by Mr. Hicks, to the amendment offered by Mr. Presstman.

On motion of Mr. Presstman,

The question was taken by yeas and nays and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Lee, Mitchell, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Dickinson, John Dennis, Dashiell, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Phelps, Bowie, McCubbin, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Shriver, Biser, Thawley, Michael Newcomer, Smith, Shower and Brown—27.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Chapman, President, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Chambers, of Kent, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Williams, McCullough, Miller, McLane, Tuck, Spiigg, Bowling, Spencer, Grason, George, Wright, Gaither, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Nelson, Stewart, of Caroline, Gwinn, Stewart, of Baltimore city, Brent, of Baltimore city, Presstman, Ware, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Harbine, Davis, Kilgour, Brewer, Waters, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer, Fitzpatrick, Parke, and Cockey—51.

So the Convention refused to adopt the amendment to the amendment.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the amendment as offered by Mr. Presstman.