

The question then recurred upon the substitute as offered by Mr. Spencer;

Mr. Buchanan, stated to the Convention, that Mr. Spencer had informed him that he had been compelled to leave the city on pressing business, and desired him to ask the Convention to pass over the 16th section informally, until he could be present.

The question was then put on the adoption of the substitute as offered by Mr. Spencer, and

Determined in the Negative.

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

Mr. Chambers, of Kent, moved to amend said amendment, by inserting between the words "public," and "acts," the words "and general;"

Mr. Chambers, of Kent, withdrew said amendment.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the amendment as offered by Mr. Dorsey, in place of the 16th section,

Mr. Stewart, of Caroline, moved a division of the question on striking out,

Mr. Dorsey, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being ordered, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Morgan, Blakistone, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Dorsey, Wells, Sellman, Weems Merrick, Williams, Goldsborough, Phelps, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Hearn, Jacobs, McHenry, Gwinn, Ware, Davis, Kilgour, Waters, Anderson and Brown—26.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Dent, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood, of Talbot, John Dennis, James U. Dennis, Hodson, Miller, Bowling, Wright, Dirickson, Thomas, Shriver, Biser, Annan, Stephenson, Magraw, Nelson, Carter, Thawley, Stewart, of Caroline, Brent, of Baltimore city, Schley, Fiery, Harbine, Brewer, Weber, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, Smith, Parke, Ege and Shower—36.

So the Convention refused to strike out.

Mr. Gwinn, then moved to strike out the 16th section, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"All laws shall be passed by original bill, and every law enacted by the Legislature, shall embrace but one subject—and that shall be described in the title,—and no law or section of law, shall be revived, amended or repealed by reference to its title or section only, and it shall be the duty of the Legislature at the first session after the adoption of this Constitution, to appoint two commissioners, learned in the law, to revise and codify the laws of this State, and the said commissioners shall report the said code so formed to the Legislature, within a time to be by it determined, for its approval, amendment or rejection, and if adopted after the