

reconsider the 22nd rule, for the purpose of amending the same by striking out these words "nor shall any subject be a second time reconsidered without the consent of the Convention."

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, being the report submitted by Mr. Johnson, chairman of the committee on the Legislative Department, on the 25th ult.

The question pending before the Convention being on the amendment offered by Mr. Merrick on yesterday, to the amendment offered by Mr. Jacobs;

Mr. Jacobs, withdrew the amendment offered by him on yesterday, and substituted in lieu of it the following :

"The Legislature shall not repeal the taxes now imposed for the payment of the public debt, until the revenues and funds of the State shall be sufficient to ensure its ultimate extinguishment within the period limited for its payment; and when the public debt is paid, the surplus revenues derived from the public works of the State, after defraying the necessary expenses of the government shall be distributed according to the mode provided by the resolution No. 47, of the General Assembly, of December session, passed 1833."

Which was read.

Mr. Donaldson, moved for a division of the question on each branch of said amendment.

The question was then put on the 1st branch of said amendment, being in these words :

"The Legislature shall not repeal the taxes now imposed for the payment of the public debt, until the revenues and funds of the State shall be sufficient to ensure its ultimate extinguishment within the period limited for its payment;"

Mr. Jenifer, moved to amend the 1st branch of said amendment, by adding at the end thereof these words "except by an act passed at one session, submitted to the people, and re-enacted at the next succeeding session of the Legislature;"

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred upon the 1st branch of the amendment as offered by Mr. Jacobs.

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

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Blakistone, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Donaldson, Wells, Crisfield, Dashiell, Williams, Hodson, Phelps, Bowling, McMaster, Fooks, Jacobs and Waters—16.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Morgan, Dent, Hopewell, Sellman, Weems, Sollers, Jenifer, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Chandler, Ridgely, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood, of Talbot, Colston, James U. Dennis, Constable, Chambers, of Cecil, Miller, McCubbin, Grason, George, Wright, Thomas, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Sap-