Mr. Donaldson, then moved to lay said amendment on the table;

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

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Drsey, Wells, Merrick, Jenifer, Hicks, Phelps, Sprigg, Wright, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Gaither, Annan and Presstman—18.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, President, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricand, Lee, Weems, Bond, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Colston, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Dashiell, Bowling, Grason, Shriver, Biser, Sappington, Stephenson, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Hardcastle, Gwinn, Stewart of Balt. city, Brent of Balt. city, Ware, Schley, Fiery, John Newcomer, Harbiae, Michael Newcomer, Kilgour, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer and Smith—39.

So the Convention refused to lay the amendment on the table. The question then recurred on the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dent, offered as a substitute for said amendment the following:

"The Legislature at its first session after the adoption of this Constitution, shall make some provision by law, exempting a reasonble amount of the property of the heads of families from seizure or sale for the payment of any debt, or liability thereafter contracted."

Mr. Hearn moved to amend said substitute by striking out the word "shall," and inserting in lieu thereof "may;"

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the substitute as offered by Mr. Dent;

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

AFFIRMATIV—Messrs. Blackistone, Dent, Hopewell, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Jenifer, Colston, Sprigg, Bowling, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Stephenson, Gwinn, Sherwood of Balt. city, Schley, Fiery, John Newcomer, Harbine and Michael Newcomer—21.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, President, Lee, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Weems, Bond, Merrick, Buchanan, Bell, Ridgely, Sherwood of Talbot, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Phelps, Chambers of Cecil, McLane, Grason, Wright, Jacobs, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Stewart of Balt. city, Brent, of Balt. city, Presstman, Kilgour, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer and Smith—34

So the Convention refused to accept said substitute.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the amendment as offered by Mr. Ridgely;