

FRIDAY, March 7th, 1851.

The Convention met,
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graff.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. John Newcomer, presented a petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying that a provision may be made in the new constitution, that the privilege to sell intoxicating liquor shall not be granted to any person in any part of the State, except the same shall first be sanctioned or approved of by a majority of the votes in the district where the same is to be sold.

Which was read, and

Referred to the select committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Dorsey, moved the Convention take up for consideration the report submitted by him on the 8th of February, as chairman of the committee on New Counties.

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

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Sellman, Weems, Dalrymple, Sollers, Bell, Ridgely, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Grason, McMaster, Fiery, John Newcomer and Davis—33.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Ricaud, Lee, Lloyd, Colston, Chambers of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, Spencer, George, Fooks, Thomas, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, Magraw, Thawley, Hardcastle, Gwinn, Sherwood, of Baltimore city, Prestman, Ware, Schley, Neill, Michael Newcomer, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer, Parke, Ege, Cockey and Brown—32.

So the Convention agreed to take up said report.

The said report being an article erecting Howard District into a county called "Howard county," was then read and adopted.

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, being the motion of Mr. Lloyd, to make the several reports from the committee on Representation the special order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Wells, moved to postpone said reports until Wednesday week.

Mr. Hopewell, moved to lay the whole subject on the table;
Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put on the motion of Mr. Wells, to postpone said reports until Wednesday week.

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