

TUESDAY, March 11th, 1851.

The Convention met.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graff.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Annan, presented a petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that provision may be made in the new constitution to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors, except the same shall be approved of by a majority of the votes in the election district where the same is to be sold;

Which was read, and

Referred to the select committee appointed on that subject.

Mr. Blakistone, the President pro tem., informed the Convention that he had been requested by Mr. Wheeler, the Reporter to the Convention, to ask leave of absence for Wednesday and Thursday;

On the question being put,

"Will the Convention grant the leave?" it was

Determined in the affirmative.

The Convention then proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being the report submitted by Mr. Grason, chairman of the committee on the Executive Department;

The 8th section was then read.

On motion of Mr. Grason,

Said section was amended by striking out in the 3rd line the words "by the two Houses," and inserting in lieu thereof "as hereinbefore provided;"

The said section was then adopted as amended.

The 9th section was then read.

Mr. Grason, moved to amend said section by adding at the end thereof the following:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm,) that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Governor, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the constitution of Maryland;"

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Grason,

Said section was passed over informally.

The 10th and 11th sections were severally read and adopted.

The 12th section was then read.

Mr. Grason, moved to amend said section by adding at the end thereof the following :