

Mr. Blakistone, moved that said report be referred to a select committee of seven to be appointed by the Chair.

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Blakistone, requested of the Chair, that he should not be appointed a member of said committee.

The Chair thereupon appointed Messrs. Sollers, Shriver, Bowie, Howard, Williams, Lloyd and McHenry, to compose said committee.

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the report of the committee on the Executive Department.

Mr. McHenry moved to amend said report by adding at the end thereof as an additional section the following:

Sec. Every bill, resolution or act, which shall have passed the General Assembly, shall before it becomes a law, be presented to the Governor; if he approve he shall sign it, but if not, he shall return it with his objections, to that House in which it shall have originated, who shall enter the objections at large on their journal and proceed to reconsider it. If, after such reconsideration, two-thirds of each house shall agree to pass such bill, resolution or act, it shall become a law. But in all such cases the votes of both houses shall be taken by yeas and nays, which shall be entered on their respective journals. If any bill, resolution or act, shall not be returned by the Governor within five days after it shall have been presented to him, the same shall become a law in like manner as if he had signed it, unless the General Assembly by its adjournment, prevent its return, in which case it shall not be a law;

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

Postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Bowie from the committee on Printing, submitted the following

REPORT :

The committee on printing to whom was referred the letter of Henry G. Wheeler, the Reporter to the Convention, beg leave to report, that the fund heretofore appropriated to meet the expense incurred in the reports of the debates of the Convention will soon be exhausted. When the contract was made with the Reporter a majority if not all of the committee were of opinion that the labors of the Convention would have terminated by the fifteenth day of March last, and this opinion it is believed was generally if not universally acquiesced in by the Convention itself. The only departure which is brought to the notice of the committee from the terms of the original contract has occurred in some reports of speeches by the members themselves which extended beyond the "sketches of debates," as expressed in the terms of the contract whereby the extent and expense of said debates have been greatly increased, but this departure has been acquiesced in by the Con-