

report such provisions proper to be embodied in a Constitution for the State, as are not embraced in the foregoing resolutions.

15th. Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider and report a proper basis of representation in the two Houses of the General Assembly, and a proper apportionment of representation in the same.

The committee recommend that the first fourteen committees consist of seven members each. And that the fifteenth committee consist of twenty-one members—one from each of the counties, and one from the city of Baltimore.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

DANIEL JENIFER, Chairman.

Which was read.

The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th resolutions in said report, were severally read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Jenifer, it was

Ordered, That said committees, except that authorised by the 4th resolution, should each consist of seven members.

On motion of Mr. Ricard,

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning, 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, November 21st, 1850.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Present the same members as on yesterday.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graff.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The President laid before the Convention the following communication.

CENSUS OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

WASHINGTON, November 20, 1850.

To the Hon. JOHN G. CHAPMAN,

President of the Convention at Annapolis.

*Sir*:—The Secretary of the Interior has referred to me for reply to your letter of the 19th inst., accompanying a report of the action of the Maryland Convention with reference to the census of 1850.

With reference to the first inquiry proposed, which relates to the time when it is expected that the population returns of Maryland will be printed, I have the honor to state that Congress has not yet made provision for the printing of any portion of the census returns, and that it is therefore impossible to say when the printing of these returns will be executed.