

McHenry, Magraw, Nelson, Thawley, Gwinn, Stewart of Balt. city, Brent of Baltimore city, Ware, Schley, John Newcomer, Harbine, Brewer, Anderson, Hollyday, Parke, Ege, Shower, Cockey and Brown—36.

So the Convention agreed to strike out.

The question then recurred and was put on the adoption of the article as offered by Mr. Chambers of Kent; and

Determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Parke,

The preamble to the report of the Declaration of Rights was amended by inserting after the word "Maryland," 1st line these words "grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberty, and

Mr. Parke, moved further to amend said preamble by striking out in the 3rd line the words "best means," and inserting in lieu thereof "propriety;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Fooks, moved that the Convention reconsider their vote on the 14th article of said report, for the purpose of enabling him to move to strike out from the beginning of said article to the word "State," in the 2nd line, and insert "that capital punishment ought to be abolished;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Parke, moved to reconsider the 1st article of the report for the purpose of amendment.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. John Dennis, presented a petition of sundry citizens of Somerset county, praying for a modification of the license law.

Which was read, and

Referred to the select committee appointed on that subject.

The Convention then proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being the propositions relative to districting the city of Baltimore, and the several counties of the State.

The question pending being on the motion of Mr. Chambers, of Kent, to reconsider the vote of the Convention striking out the amendment offered by him. (See page 707 of Journal.)

On motion of Mr. Brown,

The Convention was called, and the Doorkeeper sent for the absent members;

On motion of Mr. Tuck,

The Convention resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the Doorkeeper.

On motion of Mr. Tuck,

The Convention reconsidered the 30th article of the report of the Declaration of Rights;