

house moved by Mr. Howard, and adopted on the 8th instant, shall not be construed as applying to the report on the Elective Franchise and on the coloured population.

The said order was then adopted.

Mr. Chambers of Kent, moved that the convention take up for consideration the report of the committee on the Elective Franchise, irrespective of any further proceedings had thereon in committee of the whole.

Determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Chambers of Kent, the 1st section of said report was amended by striking out in 4th line the words "of Howard District."

Mr. Fooks moved further to amend said 1st section by inserting after the word "held," in the 7th line the following :

"After having taken an oath, (if not conscientiously scrupulous and in such case, affirmation) that he has not received and will not receive any fee or reward for his vote at said election, and that he has not given or offered to give and will not give or offer to give directly or indirectly any fee or reward to bribe, or assist in bribing or influencing any voter at said election or to induce any person not to vote at said election."

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Fooks, moved for the yeas and nays, which motion was not sustained.

Mr. Stewart of Baltimore city, moved to amend said 1st section by striking out from the word "ballot" in the 8th line to the end of said section.

Mr. Spencer moved to amend said section by striking out in the 10th line these words "Senator, delegate or other officer or officers."

Mr. Phelps moved the previous question and being seconded.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

The convention was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

The convention resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the doorkeeper.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

The Convention took up for consideration the report submitted by him from the committee on Printing on the 10th instant and to be found on page 772 of Journal.

Mr. Spencer with the consent of the convention withdrew said report and substituted in lieu of it the following :

Whereas, there will necessarily be sundry accounts against this convention, growing out of the printing and binding of the Regis-