

ser, Annan, Magraw, Carter, Stewart of Caroline, Ware, Davis, Kilgour, Brewer, Waters, Anderson, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick and Ege—43.

So the Convention decided that the resolution should not be laid on the table.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. SMITH asked the yeas and nays, which were ordered and, being taken, resulted as follows:

*Affirmative*—Messrs. Chapman, President, Morgan, Blakistone, Dent, Ricaud, Chambers of Kent, Dorsey, Wells, Sellman, Weems, Merrick, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Lloyd, John Dennis, Williams, Goldsborough, McCullough, Miller, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, George, Wright, Jacobs, Thomas, Gaither, Biser, Magraw, Carter, Stewart of Caroline, Brent of Baltimore city, Ware, Davis, Kilgour, Brewer, Waters, Anderson, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, and Ege—41.

*Negative*—Messrs. Dickinson, Sherwood of Talbot, James U. Dennis, Hudson, Phelps, Shriver, Annan, Stephenson, McHenry, Nelson, Thawley, Gwinn, Schley, Fiery, Harbine, Weber, Smith, Parke, Shower, Cockey and Brown—21.

So the resolution was adopted.

#### INSPECTION OF TOBACCO, ETC.

Mr. SELLMAN offered the following order, which was read and adopted:

Ordered. That the Treasurer be requested to report to this Convention the amount of money expended in the purchase of lots and the erection of Warehouses in the city of Baltimore, for the Inspection of Tobacco; and also to report further, whether the purchase of Lots, the erection of Warehouses and the expenses of Inspection are now, or have been at any time heretofore a charge upon the Treasury of the State.

#### CODIFICATION OF THE LAWS, ETC.

Mr. GWINN rose and gave notice that he would, at the proper time, if the course of the proceedings should authorise it, move a proposition in relation to the matter pending at the adjournment yesterday. He would merely remark, that he did not offer it on his own judgment alone, but upon consultation with other gentlemen.

The amendment was read.

Mr. DORSEY rose and gave notice that he would, at the proper time, offer a proposition as a substitute for the proposition yesterday offered by himself.

The substitute was read.

On motion of Mr. BROWN, the Convention passed to the orders of the day.

#### THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

The Convention resumed the consideration of the report heretofore made by Mr. JOHNSON, from the committee on the legislative department.

The pending question was on the amendment offered yesterday by Mr. SCHLEY to the sixteenth section. [See yesterday's proceedings.]

Mr. EGE. On that amendment I ask the previous question.

Mr. GWINN called for a division of the question.

The PRESIDENT said that the gentleman from Montgomery, (Mr. Davis,) had yesterday called for a division.

Mr. BLAKISTONE. If the gentleman from Carroll, (Mr. Ege,) insists on the previous question, I shall move a call of the Convention.

Mr. EGE. I do insist. We have been three days wasting the time of the Convention in useless discussions on this question. Gentlemen were as well prepared to vote two days ago as they are now.

Mr. BLAKISTONE. Then I insist on my motion for a call of the Convention.

The question was taken on the motion of Mr. BLAKISTONE, and, having been decided in the affirmative,

The roll was called.

The names of the absentees were then read.

Mr. EGE moved that further proceedings on the call be dispensed with.

Mr. RICAUD said there were some members in the city who desired to vote, but who did not expect that the question would be taken so soon.

After some conversation,

The Convention refused to suspend proceedings on the call.

The PRESIDENT then directed the door-keeper to wait on such of the absentees as were in the city and notify them to attend.

A pause followed, after which

The PRESIDENT stated that the door-keeper had returned, and had notified the absent members, &c.

Further proceedings on the call were then dispensed with,

And the question recurred on the demand of Mr. EGE for the previous question.

There was a second. And the main question (on the amendment of Mr. SCHLEY,) was ordered to be now taken.

Mr. DAVIS withdrew his call for a division.

Mr. GWINN renewed it.

The PRESIDENT stated that the proposition was susceptible of three divisions.

Mr. THOMAS suggested another subdivision, which was ordered.

The first division was stated as follows:

“The Legislature at its first session after the adoption of this constitution, shall appoint one or more commissioners learned in the law, whose duty it shall be to revise and codify the statutes of this State.”

Mr. EGE called the yeas and nays, which were ordered.

The question then was taken and resulted as follows:

*Affirmative*.—Messrs. Chapman, President, Morgan, Blakistone, Dent, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Weems, Bond, Merrick, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood, of Talbot, John Dennis, James U. Dennis, Wil-