

Davis, of Wash.,	Murray,	Wickard
Earle,	Negley,	Wooden—31.
Ecker,	Nyman,	

So the question upon its adoption was decided in the affirmative.

The Report of the Committee on the Legislative Department,

Was taken up,

Mr. Ridgely gave notice that at the proper time he would submit the following amendment to the 39th section of the Report:

Sec. 39. The Governor, Comptroller and Treasurer of the State, are hereby authorized conjointly, or any two of them, to sell from time to time according to their best judgment the State's interest in the works of Internal Improvement, whether as stockholder or creditor, also the State's interest in any Banking Corporation, and to apply the proceeds arising therefrom towards the payment of the public debt of the State; and after the public debt shall have been fully paid off, or the sinking fund shall be equal to its liquidation, the excess of such sales shall be set apart as a permanent fund for the support of public education; provided however, that the power hereby conferred, shall only be exercised when the proceeds of such sales can be converted into a like amount of the public debt; and provided further, that the State's interest in the Washington Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, shall be and is hereby reserved and excepted from the sale hereby authorized; and provided further, that the State's interest in or claim against the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, the Tide Water Canal, and the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal may be sold, upon the best terms which may be obtained for the same.

Mr. Chambers gave notice that he would submit the following amendment:

Sec. 39. It shall be the duty of the Legislature at its first session after the adoption of this Constitution, to provide by law for the sale to the highest bidder of all or such part of the stock owned by this State in any Rail Road or Canal Company, and of the debt due to this State by any Rail Road or Canal Company as can be sold or exchanged for not less than an equal amount of the present public or stock debt of this State, and to convey the interest so sold to the purchaser or purchasers thereof; and so to proceed from time to time