

the price obtained for the State's said interest ; Provided, that the interest of the State in the Washington Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road be reserved and excepted from sale ; and that at the election to be held for the adoption or rejection of this Constitution, the sense of the people shall be taken, for or against the selling of the State's interest in all the works of Internal Improvement or other corporations.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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Mr. Stirling, from a minority of said Committee, submitted the following

#### REPORT :

The undersigned a minority of the Special Committee to which was referred the 39th section of the Report of the Committee on the Legislative Department, are not able to concur in the Report of the Majority for the reason, that after full investigation of the subject and consideration of the wide difference of opinion which exists in the Convention, they think it inexpedient to make any provision in the Constitution for the sale of the Public Works.

It is not the duty of the Convention to act on the subject as it is not necessarily or primarily a Constitutional subject, though under some circumstances it might have been expedient so to do.

The undersigned are satisfied that any action the Convention may take will dissatisfy a large part of the people, and they deem it wise to avoid all matters that may tend to produce side issues on the adoption of the Constitution by the people.

The undersigned doubt whether any plan from this Committee can command a majority of the Convention, and the time of the Convention will be taken up by mere amendments and more debate, they therefore recommend that the 39th Article be stricken out, and no Article be substituted in its place.

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