

Brooks, Chambers, Clarke, Crawford, Dail, Davis, of Charles, Dennis, Dent, Duvall, Farrow, Gale, Greene, Harwood, Hatch, Hebb, Henkle, Hodson, Hoffman, Hollyday, Hopkins, Horsey, Johnson, Jones, of Cecil, Lansdale, Larsh, Mace, Negley, Noble, Parran, Peter, Ridgely, Schley, Smith, of Dorchester, Sneary, Stockbridge, Sykes, Thomas, Turner, Valliant, Wickard, Wilmer—50.

There being no quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Stirling,

The Convention adjourned.

TUESDAY, August 16th, 1864.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, A. M.³

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Owen.

All the members present except the following :

Messrs. Baker, Barron, Berry, of Baltimore county, Berry, of Prince George's, Blackiston, Briscoe, Clarke, Dail, Duvall, Farrow, Greene, Hebb, Henkle, Hollyday, Horsey, Johnson, Jones, of Cecil, Lansdale, Larsh, Noble, Schley, Sneary, Stockbridge, Valliant, Wilmer—25.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Marbury submitted the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The citizens of the State of Maryland have been drafted until the draft has reached the home of nearly every able-bodied man in the State ; and whereas the slave counties of the State have almost been depopulated of their whole laboring force ; and whereas the slaves who have been enticed or voluntarily gone off from this State, and entered the service of the United States, have nearly all of them been accredited to other States, contrary to the laws of the land, and in violation of every principle of justice and right ; and whereas, the upper counties of this State have been so entirely laid waste and so depleted of their population that they