

THURSDAY, August 18th, 1864.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Owen.

All the Members present except the following :

Messrs. Baker, Belt, Berry, of Baltimore county, Bond, Briscoe, Dellinger, Farrow, Greene, Harwood, Henkle, Hoffman, Hollyday, Johnson, Larsh, Noble, Ridgely, Scott, Sneary, Valliant, Wilmer—20.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Hebb,

It was ordered to be entered on the Journal that Mr. Greene, of Allegany, is detained from his seat in the Convention on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of Dorchester.

It was ordered to be entered on the Journal that Thomas J. Dail, is kept from his seat in the Convention, by indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Barron,

It was ordered to be entered on the Journal that if John Barron had been present he would have voted for the test oath offered by Mr. Stirling, and would have voted for the amendment to the report of the Committee on the Judiciary offered by Mr. Abbott.

Messrs. Brooks and Barron were excused from attending the evening sessions of the Convention, Mr. Wickard from attending the session this evening, Mr. Thomas from attendance for a few days, and Mr. Thruston until Monday.

The preamble and resolutions submitted by Mr. Marbury on Tuesday last, authorizing the President to appoint a committee of five to wait on the authorities of Washington, in reference to being relieved from further draft,

Was taken up for consideration on its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Berry, of Prince George's,

The consideration of the resolutions was postponed.

Mr. Berry, of Prince George's submitted the following order :