

Stockbridge, Swope, Thomas, Thruston, Todd, Valliant, Wickard, Wilmer, Wooden.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The order submitted by Mr. Clarke on yesterday, instructing the Committee on the Legislative Department to inquire into the expediency of inserting certain Articles in the Constitution, prohibiting free negroes or mulattoes from coming into or settling in this State.

Was taken up,

On motion of Mr. Schley,

Mr. Clarke accepted as an amendment to his order the following: In the first section, after the word "Constitution," insert the words, unless such free negro or mulatto be a Federal Soldier, engaged in the military service of the United States, or come into this State by the authority of the same.

Mr. Abbott submitted the following amendment:

Amend by including all sympathisers with the Rebellion of the Southern States, and any one now living North of Mason and Dixon's Line;

Mr. Stockbridge called the previous question,

On the question being put, "shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then being on the amendment submitted by Mr. Abbott,

It was decided in the negative.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the order submitted by Mr. Clarke,

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Stockbridge moved to re-consider the vote by which an order was adopted yesterday directing the payment of certain money to Thomas J. Corkran, for services alleged to be rendered as page to this Convention.

Decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The said order was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The hour having arrived for considering the Order of the Day, being the Report of the Committee on the Bill of Rights.