

Davis of Washington, Dellinger, Dennis, Earle, Ecker, Edelen, Galloway, Greene, Harwood, Hatch, Hebb, Hoffman, Hollyday, Hopkins, Hopper, Johnson, Jones of Somerset, Keefer, King, Larsh, Lee, Marbury, Markey, McComas Mitchell, Miller, Mullikin, Murray, Negley, Noble, Nyman, Parker, Parran, Peter, Pugh, Purnell, Robinette, Russell, Sands, Schley, Schlosser, Smith of Carroll, Smith of Dorchester, Smith of Worcester, Sneary, Stockbridge, Swope, Sykes, Todd, Valliant, Wickard, Wilmer, Wooden—74.

The proceedings of Saturday were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. ABBOTT,

*Ordered*, That it be entered on the journal that the amendment offered by Mr. Abbott to the order of Mr. Clarke on page 85, (in relation to free negroes and mulattoes,) after the words "Southern States," was offered by Mr. Clarke, the mover of the original order, as an amendment to Mr. Abbott's amendment, and was accepted by him under the impression that it only referred to traitors and copperheads north of Mason's and Dixon's line.

In accordance with an order adopted on Saturday last, the President made the following apportionment of the Committee Clerks:

*Wm. R. McCulley*—Committee on Declaration of Rights, Committee on Executive Department, Committee on Basis of Representation, Committee on Legislative Department, Committee on Elections—5.

*Thomas Tipton*—Committee on Judiciary Department, Committee on States Attorneys, Committee on Engrossment and Revision, Committee on Education and the Encouragement of Literature, Committee on the Appointment, Tenure of Office, Duties and Compensation of all civil offices not embraced in the duties of other Standing Committees—5.

*George Johnson*—Committee on Treasury Department, Committee on Elective Franchise and Qualification of Voters, Committee on Militia and Military Affairs, Committee on Rights, Duties, Divisions and Sub-Divisions of Counties, Committee on such Provisions and Ordinances as may be desirable to carry into effect amendments to the Constitution—5.

*Skipwith C. Gorrell*—Committee on Accounts, Committee on Reporting and Printing, Committee to report future Amendments and Revisions of the Constitution, Committee on Usury Laws—4.

On motion of Mr. BELT,

*Ordered*, That the Committee upon the Basis of Representation be requested to inquire into the expediency of embodying into the Constitution a clause providing that the city of Baltimore and the several counties shall be respectively divided into sub-divisions or electoral districts equal to the number of delegates which each shall be entitled to elect to the more numerous branch of the Legislature, and that said delegates shall be apportioned so that one shall be elected from each of said

districts, by the qualified voters thereof, and not by general ticket as now practiced.

On motion of Mr. TODD,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Legislative Department be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the time of holding general elections in this State, so that the first election to be held after the adoption of this Constitution may occur at the time of the next Presidential election.

On motion of Mr. NEGLEY,

*Ordered*, That it may be entered on the Journal that J. P. Mayhugh is absent from his seat in this Convention on account of severe indisposition.

The Convention proceeded to the consideration of the report from the Committee on Reporting and Printing, submitted on Saturday last, in relation to the official reporting of the debates and proceedings.

Mr. DANIEL, submitted the following amendment:

In the second line of the order, on page 88, strike out the word "each," after the word copy, and insert the same after the previous word "assistant;" also strike out the word "each," in the 4th line of the same order;

Which was adopted.

The report and accompanying orders were then concurred in.

The report of the same committee in relation to the Revising Clerk, and the index of the Journal, Debates and Constitution, was also concurred in.

#### ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS.

The Convention proceeded to the consideration of the following preamble and resolutions, submitted by Mr. Purnell on the 20th inst:

WHEREAS, It is a matter of great importance that there should be a prompt and faithful attendance of the members and officers of this Convention, for the performance of the duties entrusted to them in their respective committees, as well as during the sessions of this body; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That hereafter no member or officer of this Convention shall receive any per diem for such time as he may be absent from the said Convention; and that the President is hereby directed and required, in giving a certificate of payment to such member or officer, to deduct from his account such time as he may have been absent, unless occasioned by actual indisposition, or some other unavoidable circumstance.

*Resolved*, That for the purpose of ascertaining the time lost by the members and officers, the Secretary of this Convention be required to keep a weekly list, on which he shall note the respective days when each of said members or officers shall be absent, and file the same weekly with the clerk of the Committee on Accounts, who shall deduct the same from the allowance of each member and officer, so that, at the end of the session, the