

was that sort of harangue that I have frequently listened to from persons who have been denominated ministers. Mr. Bates, as has been very properly remarked by the gentleman from Kent (Mr. Chambers,) was a very good lawyer. It may have been a very high compliment to have connected him with the ministry. In making the remark I did, in debate, I did not intend to say that Mr. Bates was a regular licentiate, or that he had charge of any particular church or congregation. I merely meant to say, what I now say, that he was a good man, I believe, and a very worthy and acceptable member of the Methodist church, and was in the habit of lecturing, or exhorting, or preaching, or whatever you may call it; I cannot discriminate. I said he was a good "preacher-lawyer." If that term does not suit, then I will say "exhorter;" if not that, then I will say he was a good "lecturer." And if that does not suit, I do not know what to call him.

SCHEDULE.

On motion of Mr. HEBB,

The convention proceeded to consider the report of the committee on the schedule, which was on its third reading.

The report was then read the third time, and passed, by yeas and nays, (under rule forty-three,)—yeas 43, nays 18,—as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Abbott, Audoun, Baker, Barron, Brooks, Cunningham, Cushing, Daniel, Davis, of Washington, Dellinger, Ecker, Farrow, Galloway, Greene, Hebb, Hoffman, Hopper, Jones, of Cecil, Keefer, Kennard, King, Larsh, Markey, McComas, Mullikin, Negley, Nyman, Parker, Pugh, Purnell, Ridgely, Russell, Schley, Schlosser, Stirling, Stockbridge, Swope, Sykes, Thomas, Todd, Wickard, Wooden—43.

Nays—Messrs. Belt, Bond, Brown, Chambers, Crawford, Davis, of Charles, Dent, Duvall, Hollyday, Horsey, Lansdale, Lee, Marbury, Mitchell, Miller, Parran, Peter, Wilmer—18.

JUDICIARY DEPARTMENT.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the convention then resumed the consideration of the report of the committee on the judiciary department, which was on its second reading.

NEGRO APPRENTICESHIP.

Mr. BARRON moved to reconsider the vote by which section twenty-nine of the report as amended had been adopted.

The section was as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the orphans' court of the several counties and the city of Baltimore to bind out, until they arrive at the age of twenty-one years for males, and eighteen years for females, all negroes emancipated by the adoption of this constitution, who are minors, incapable of supporting themselves,

and whose parents are unable to maintain them, subject to such regulations as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law; and in all cases the preference shall be given to their former masters, when in the judgment of the said courts they are suitable persons to have charge of them."

The motion to reconsider was seconded by Messrs. FARROW and HEBB.

Mr. TODD moved a call of the house, which was ordered.

Pending the call of the roll,

Mr. CUSHING moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with—which was not agreed to.

The call of the roll was then completed, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Abbott, Annan Audoun, Baker, Barron, Belt, Bond, Brooks, Brown, Carter, Chambers, Crawford, Cunningham, Cushing, Daniel, Davis, of Charles, Davis, of Washington, Dellinger, Dent, Duvall, Ecker, Farrow, Galloway, Greene, Hatch, Hebb, Hoffman, Hollyday, Hopper, Horsey, Jones, of Cecil, Keefer, Kennard, Lansdale, Larsh, Lee, Marbury, Markey, McComas, Mitchell, Miller, Mullikin, Negley, Parker, Parran, Peter, Pugh, Purnell, Ridgely, Russell, Schley, Schlosser, Smith, of Dorchester, Stirling, Stockbridge, Swope, Sykes, Thomas, Wickard, Wilmer, Wooden—63.

On motion of Mr. KENNARD,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question was upon the motion to reconsider.

Mr. BARRON. I find upon referring to the journal, that I was not present when this twenty-ninth section was adopted. I suppose, therefore, that it is not competent for me to move a reconsideration of that section.

Mr. FARROW renewed the motion to reconsider, which was seconded by Messrs. HEBB and GREENE.

Mr. MARKEY moved that the convention now take a recess; not agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT TILL MONDAY.

Mr. DELLINGER moved that when the convention adjourn, it stand adjourned till Monday next at twelve o'clock, M.

Mr. ECKER. I have been among the number of those who have been as steady in their attendance here, as any member of this convention, with the exception perhaps of the president. But for the last hour I really have not been able to comprehend or understand one particle of what has been going on here. And if that manner of proceeding is to be carried on until we adjourn, I am inclined to think we shall be in the predicament which my honorable friend from Kent (Mr. Chambers) says they got into in the last convention; that we will have something in the