

Mr. Koons demanded the yeas and nays,

The demand being sustained,

The yeas and nays were called and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.

Dunbar;
Mattingly,
Boyer,
Usilton,
Hodges,
Robinson,
Bullman,
Snowden,
Gwynn,
Neal,
Purnell,
Culbreth,

Rusk,
Berkemeier,
Lewis,
Hoblitzell,
McGlone,
Stewart,
McAleese,
Hart,
Loane,
Chaisty,
Hess,

Harig,
Albaugh,
Sanders,
Rawlings,
Atkinson,
Sprigg,
Brooke,
Brown,
Rinehart,
Waters, of Car'l.,
Gordy—44.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs.

Turner,
Hooper,
Baldwin,
Whitelock,
Curtis,
Smith, of B. co.,

Given,
Fitzjarrell,
Dodson,
Ward,
Riggs,
Hinks,

Naill,
Koons,
Scott,
Farrow,
Ranger,
Jones—18.

So the report was adopted.

Pending the call of the yeas and nays on the adoption of the foregoing majority report,

Mr. Constable declined to vote, for the following reasons, therefor,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Scott,

Were ordered to be entered on the Journal,

I cannot vote to adopt this report for several reasons.

One reason is, that the investigation was stayed at the very point when it promised to be fruitful of astounding results.

Another reason is, that the Committee declined to exercise in prosecuting this inquiry the powers vested in it by this House, and by the Constitution, and which it was the duty of said Committee to exercise in behalf of the House and of the people—the guardians of whose rights we are.

Another reason is, that it would be indecent, as well as inconsistent to clamor for further powers to prosecute in-