

Mr. Landing called for the previous question on the amendment;

Which was sustained.

The question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Magruder;

It was rejected.

The question recurring on the amendments offered by Mr. Alexander;

Which were assented to.

Mr. Alexander proposed the following amendments :

In section 5, line 6, strike out "five," and insert "four ;

Also in section 5, line 12, strike out "five," and insert "four ;"

Which was assented to.

Mr. Belt proposed the following additional sections to said bill ;

Section 11. And be it enacted, as the express and undoubted meaning of this act, that the convention provided for by this act shall be held and deemed to have power, in the manner hereinbefore granted, to alter and amend all parts, provisions and features of the existing constitution and bill of rights except those hereinafter expressly excepted.

Section 12. And be it enacted, that the said convention, if it shall assemble in pursuance of this act, shall have no power or authority, directly or indirectly in any manner whatever, to alter, amend or change, or to recommend any alteration emendation or change, in any of those parts, articles, sections or provisions of the existing constitution and bill of rights which recognize, protect or establish the institution of negro slavery and the relation of master and slave in this State.

Section 13. And be it enacted, that the said conventionⁿ if it shall assemble in pursuance of this act, shall have no power or authority, directly or indirectly, in any manner whatever, to alter, amend or change, or to recommend any alteration, emendation or change in any of those parts, articles, sections or provisions of the present constitution and bill of rights, which establish the basis of representation of the several counties and the city of Baltimore in the Senate and House of Delegates.

Section 14. And be it enacted, That the said convention, if it shall assemble in pursuance of this act, shall have no power or authority, directly or indirectly, in any manner whatever, to alter, amend or change, or to recommend any