

Mr. Ghiselin, chairman of the committee on Colored Population to which was referred the resolutions of the State of Massachusetts, respecting an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, reported that the committee differ from the views contained in the resolutions, and ask to be excused from the further consideration of the subject.

Which was twice read and concurred in.

Mr. Ghiselin, chairman of the committee on Colored Population, to which was referred the memorial of Nimrod Owings, praying for a law, to allow Hiram Clapham, a free negro, to remove into the State of Maryland, reported unfavorably thereon.

Which was read.

Mr. Shriver offered as a substitute for said report, a bill entitled, an act to allow Hiram Clapham, a free negro to remove into the State of Maryland ;

Which was read.

The question was then put,

On the adoption of the substitute ;

During the House dividing upon the question,

Mr. Power of Carroll, desired to be heard, the chair decided that it was too late, that he was out of order.

Mr. Powder appealed from the decision of the chair.

The chair remarked, that as it did not clearly appear what was the rule upon the subject, for the purpose of deciding the point and enable the House to settle the question definitively, he would adhere to his decision.

The question was then put,

"Shall the opinion of the chair stand as the judgment of the House?"

Determined in the negative.

The question was then put,

On accepting the substitute as offered by Mr. Shriver.

On motion of Mr. Calvert,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Warfield, Walker, Bowdle, Arringdale, Thomas, of Talbot, Lackland, Cropper, Owen, Harris, Temples, Earickson, Buckey, Lynch, Thomas, of Frederick, Naill, Shriver, Potter, Keen e, Curley, Levering, Stansbury, jr. of Baltimore city, Mann, Weber, Boteler, Wade, Hollman, McKaig, Hammill, Fitzpatrick, Ecker, Shaw, Stull and Powder—33.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Watson, (Speaker) Causin, Thomas, of Saint Mary's, Hopewell, Spencer, Tilden, Hollyday, Murray, Ligon, Johnson, Weems, Chapman, Reeder, Freeman, Carroll, jr, Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Welsh, Waters, of Somerset. Philips, Stewart, Dail, Phelps, Calvert, Semmes, Ghiselin, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Polk, Yellott, Hopkins, Carey, Kilgour, Griffith and Waters, of Montgomery.—36.

So the House refused to accept the substitute.

The question then recurred and was put, upon concurring in the report of the committee, and