

So the Convention refused to lay the order on the table.

The question was then taken on the adoption of the order, when it was decided in the affirmative.

So the order was adopted.

The **PRESIDENT**, *pro tem.*, then appointed Messrs. **SAPPINGTON**, **ANNAN** and **RICAUD** to compose the committee under said order.

On motion of **MR. RICAUD**, he was excused from serving on said committee.

And **MR. DIRICKSON** was appointed in his room.

MR. DIRICKSON asked to be excused from serving on said committee.

MR. BROWN moved to reconsider the vote by which the order had been adopted. He then withdrew the motion.

MR. SOLLERS renewed the motion to reconsider.

MR. SAPPINGTON asked for the ayes and noes, And they were ordered.

The question was then taken on the motion to reconsider,

And decided in the negative, as follows :

Affirmative.—Messrs. **Blakistone**, **President pro tem.**, **Dent**, **Hopewell**, **Lee**, **Dalrymple**, **Sollers**, **Brent**, of **Charles**, **Jenifer**, **Buchanan**, **Welch**, **Dickinson**, **Sherwood**, of **Talbot**, **Colston**, **Dashiell**, **Hicks**, **Hudson**, **Eccleston**, **Chambers**, of **Cecil**, **Tuck**, **McCubbin**, **Bowling**, **Grason**, **Dirickson**, **McMaster**, **Annan**, **Magraw**, **Gwinn**, **Stewart**, of **Baltimore city**, **Presstman**, **Ware**, **Kilgour**, **Waters** and **Brown**—33.

Negative.—Messrs. **Ricaud**, **Chambers**, of **Kent**, **Donaldson**, **Dorsey**, **Wells**, **Randall**, **Sellman**, **Bell**, **Chandler**, **Ridgely**, **Crisfield**, **McCullough**, **Sprigg**, **Spencer**, **Shriver**, **Gaither**, **Biser**, **Sappington**, **Nelson**, **Hardcastle**, **Schley**, **Fiery**, **Neill**, **John Newcomer**, **Carbine**, **Michael Newcomer**, **Davis**, **Brewer**, **Weber**, **Hollyday**, **Slicer**, **Parke** and **Cockey**—33

So the motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

And the question being on the motion of **MR. DIRICKSON** to be excused from serving on the committee, it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of **MR. ANNAN**, he was excused from serving on said committee.

MR. BISER presented a petition of two hundred and eighty-six citizens of **Frederick** and **Washington** counties, remonstrating against the creation of a new county from parts of the aforesaid counties.

Which was read and referred to the committee on new counties.

INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

MR. CHAMBERS presented a petition of sundry citizens of **Cecil** county, praying that provision may be made in the new Constitution, to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors, except the same shall be approved of by a majority of the votes in the election district where the same is to be sold; and

MR. MAGRAW, presented a petition of sundry citizens of **Harford** county of a similar import.

Which were severally read, and

Referred to the select committee already appointed on that subject.

COMMITTEE OF ACCOUNTS.

MR. WELLS from the committee on accounts, submitted a report, accompanied by the following resolution:

MR. WELLS, chairman of the committee on accounts, submitted the following report:

The committee of accounts respectfully report that they have examined the accompanying claims numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, amounting to the sum of \$357 52, and recommend the adoption of the subjoined resolution.

G. WELLS, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the accounts herewith filed, be paid by the orders of the President of the Convention, on the Treasurer of the State, in favor of the persons entitled to receive the same, for the amounts due to them respectively.

Which was twice read and adopted.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

On motion of **MR. GRASON**, the Convention resumed the consideration of the orders of the day, being the report on the executive department.

The question being on the nineteenth section as amended,

MR. SOLLERS moved to amend said section by striking out from the word "case," in the third line to the end of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

"Before he exercises the power of granting reprieves and pardons, cause to be published at least thirty days in some newspaper published at the seat of government, and in some newspaper published in the county where the person petitioning for a reprieve or pardon resides, if there be any, the petition of such person, and the names of all persons signing such petition, and the publication aforesaid shall be made at the expense of the State, or the party petitioning as the Governor may determine."

MR. SOLLERS said, it was that reprieves and pardons had been sometimes granted improperly; because petitions, numerous and respectably signed, had been sent to the Governor, on which he had decided the case without much examination. It may be that persons will be more cautious in signing such petitions, if it be required that the petitions and signatures shall be published.

MR. RIDGELY did not think the amendment would reach the object which the mover intended. It gave the right to pardon, in the first place, and provided for the publication of the petitions afterwards.

MR. SOLLERS modified his amendment to obviate this objection.

MR. BREWER suggested the possibility of no newspaper being published in the county. He therefore moved to amend the amendment, by inserting these words, "and if there be no newspaper in said county, then a copy of said petitions, together with the names of the petitioners, to be set up at the court house door of said county."