

posed, to confining its reference to any of the committees. If it shall hereafter appear that we have not already enough committees to do justice to that subject, which I assure the gentleman from Prince George's we intend to do, if we have not now enough on the roll, we will make more. I do not wish to have this subject bound down as the gentleman proposes, to any one committee, or referred, as the gentleman from Baltimore city proposes, to any two committees. When the subject arises I hope we shall be able to dispose of it properly.

Mr. CLARKE. I do not think that the gentleman from Baltimore city needs any defence; and I certainly intended no reflection upon him. The records will show that the gentleman from Howard (Mr. Hopkins) offered a proposition for the appointment of a standing committee on that subject, and it was distinctly stated that it was unnecessary, because the standing committees already appointed provide for it. My colleague asked which of those committees, and the reply was, the committee on the Bill of Rights; that was the appropriate committee. I certainly think that it is a subject which the Convention ought to refer to some committee. I have no doubt that the Convention intends to deal with the subject, for if not I certainly should not be one to precipitate action on the subject; and my constituents would like to know where the subject belongs. But as the gentleman from Baltimore city is absent, I move that the consideration of the order be postponed.

The motion was agreed to.

COMMITTEE CLERKS.

On motion of Mr. GALLOWAY
Ordered, That S. C. Gorrell, one of the Committee Clerks, be designated as Clerk for the Committee on Accounts.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. STROCKBRIDGE moved that the Convention adjourn, but withdrew the motion at the request of

Mr. BERRY of Baltimore county who asked and obtained leave of absence, having been summoned to Baltimore on official business.

Messrs. KENWARD, SANDS, and BARBON asked and obtained leave of absence.

Mr. STROCKBRIDGE renewed the motion to adjourn.

Mr. KING moved to amend by adding "until Tuesday next."

Mr. STROCKBRIDGE. If the motion is to adjourn until Tuesday or any other time than to-morrow morning, it is such an adjournment as almost uniformly takes the members away, and delays of course by just so much the progress of the Convention, as the committees will not continue in session and do the work in their hands. Although there is nothing before the Convention, I think it better that we should come here even for fifteen minutes to-morrow, in order that the commit-

tees may remain in session, and go on with their work this afternoon and to-morrow. I am opposed therefore to the motion to adjourn until Tuesday, or Monday, or any other day than to-morrow.

Mr. SANDS. When we urged the removal of the Convention to Baltimore city for the purpose of facilitating business, I thought it seemed to be the general understanding under which we all acted, that our business was here, \$5 a day and attention to duty. I knew that the \$5 a day and attention to duty was not going to work; and so it turns out.

Mr. STROCKBRIDGE. I suppose the gentleman referred to the gentleman from Baltimore county and not Baltimore city.

Mr. SANDS. I did not know that I referred to any member; I did not intend to do so. That was the argument, that we were to give our undivided time to the Convention for \$5 a day. I determined that it should be my business to remain here; and should have done so if it were not that I am exceedingly unwell, and unable to be in my place. I should not have asked to be excused merely on the score of business, it having been decided that our chief business is here.

Mr. BERRY of Baltimore county. If the gentleman from Howard noticed it, I asked leave of absence because I had been called to Baltimore on official business. It is not sickness that keeps me away, or I should have mentioned it. The gentleman simply asked leave without giving any reason for it.

Mr. SANDS. I had stated my reason, that it was sickness. I will say that I meant no reflection upon the fairness of the gentlemen's reasons. I have no doubt he has business in Baltimore, and I have no doubt that many of us will have business calling us to Baltimore city.

Mr. PUGH. I sincerely hope the motion will not prevail. I, for one, came here for the purpose of working. I do not want to lose a day. To adjourn over from Friday might be necessary for members to go home; but we shall only lose another day, if we adjourn to-day. I am anxious that we shall remain here all the time we can. I hope members will not adjourn until we have something in our hands to do, for we certainly came here to do something.

Mr. NEGLEY. I am opposed to adjourning until Tuesday next. I was in favor of going to Baltimore city, believing that the business of the Convention would be expedited by the removal. I understood the member from Baltimore county (Mr. Berry) to say yesterday in reply to the gentleman from Howard, that it was a fair bargain between the State of Maryland and each delegate, that each delegate should receive \$5 a day, and each delegate should give his undivided attention to the Convention. Here is a manifestation of a divided attention already. The gentleman from Howard (Mr. Sands) was censured, I