

THURSDAY, May 30, 1867.

The Convention met.

Prayer by Mr. Jones, of Somerset.

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Carmichael, (President,) Alvey, Archer, Austin, Barnes, Barry, Bateman, Bell, Bennett, Bradley, Brent, Brewer, of Baltimore city, Brooke, Brown, Buchanan, Carter, Chambers, Cosgrove, Cover, Denson, Devries, Dobbin, Dorsey, Duvall, Emack, Evans, Farnandis, Ferry, Finley, Flaherty, Ford, Franck, Franklin, Garey, George, Giddings, Gill, Goldsborough, of Dorchester, Goldsborough, of Talbot, Groome, Hall, Hammond, Hardcastle, Hayden, Henderson, Hoblitzell, Hodson, Hollyday, Horsey, of Frederick, Howard, Howison, Hubbard, Ireland, Jamison, Janvier, Johnson, Jones, Keating, Kennedy, Lee, Longwell, Mackubin, Manro, Massey, Maulsby, McCormick, McKaig, Merryman, Mitchell, Morris, Murray, Nelson, Page, Par- ran, C. S., Perry, Peters, Pleasants, Pole, Rennolds, Rider, Riggs, Ringgold, Ritchie, Rogers, Silver, Spates, Starr, Stoddert, Syester, Tarr, of Caroline, Tarr, of Worcester, Thomas, Toadvine, Vansant, Wallace, Walsh, Watkins, of Caroline, Wethered, Whitman, Wickes, Wilkin- son—100.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Garey presented the petition of Charles W. Gold, praying relief as therein asked ;

Which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Jones,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee to Consider and Report upon the Declaration of Rights, submitted the following majority

REPORT :

The undersigned majority of the members of the Committee on the Declaration of Rights, to which Committee the amendments to Article 36 offered in Convention on May 29, 1867, were referred, respectfully recommend the said 36th Article be amended as follows ; that is to say, strike out all of said Article after the word " ministry" in line 10, and insert as follows :

" Nor shall any person, otherwise competent, be deemed incompetent as a witness or juror on account of his religious belief, provided he believes in the existence of God, and that