

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the 2nd order of the day, being the report submitted by Mr. Merrick, as chairman of the committee on Representation, on the 11th ult.;

The question pending before the Convention, being on the amendment offered by Mr. Chambers, of Kent, to the amendment proposed by Mr. Spencer, to recommit the report with instructions.

Mr. Chambers, of Kent, moved to commit the report with the amendments pending to a committee of the whole house ;

Mr. Brown, moved to lay the report and motion to commit on the table; and moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, which being ordered, appeared as follows:

**AFFIRMATIVE**—Messrs. Sellman, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Lloyd, Dickinson, Colston, Miller, McLane, Spencer, George, Wright, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Nelson, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Hardcastle, Stewart of Balt. city, Ware, Neill, John Newcomer, Harbine, Michael Newcomer, Brewer, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer, Fitzpatrick, Parke, Shower, Cockey and Brown—39.

**NEGATIVE**—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Morgan, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Wells, Randall, Kent, Jenifer, John Dennis, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Phelps, Sprigg, McCubbin, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Schley, Fiery, Waters and Smith—33.

So the whole subject was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

The Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning 11 o'clock.

**TUESDAY, January 28th, 1851.**

The Convention met,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graff.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Blakistone, (in accordance with the notice given by him on yesterday,) moved to strike out the 17th rule of the Convention, and substitute in lieu of it the following:

“The previous question shall be always in order in Convention, if seconded by a majority, and until decided, shall preclude all further amendment and debate, and shall be in this form: “shall the main question be now put?” when on taking the previous