

red lien on said property to the amount of _____ dollars, for the equal benefit of the said widow or descendants; provided, nothing herein shall affect creditors existing at the time of the adoption of this constitution."

Which was read.

Mr. Jenifer, moved to lay said amendments and substitute on the table;

Mr. Brent, of Balt. city, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being ordered, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapinan, Pres't, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Jenifer, Ridgely, Colston, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Phelps, Sprigg, Bowling, Wright, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Gaither, Thawley, Harcastle, Stewart of Balt. city, Presstnan, and Ware—29.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Weems, Bond, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Chambers, of Cecil, Grason, Shriver, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, Stewart of Caroline, Gwinn, Brent of Balt. city, Sherwood, of Baltimore city, Schley, Fiery, John Newcomer, Harbine, Michael Newcomer, Kilgour, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer and Smith—29.

So the Convention refused to lay the amendments and substitute on the table.

The question was then put on the amendment as offered by Mr. McMaster, to strike out the words, "administrator or," and

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ridgely, offered as a substitute for said amendment and substitute, the following:

"Laws shall be passed by the Legislature to protect from execution, a reasonable amount of property of a debtor;"

Which was read.

On the question being put,

"Will the Convention accept said substitute?"

Mr. Brent, of Baltimore city moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being ordered appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, President, Blakistone, Hopewell, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Weems, Merrick, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Colston, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Phelps, Sprigg, Bowling, Wright, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Guither, Sappington, Stephenson, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Harcastle, Stewart of Balt. city, S erwood of Balt. city, Presstman, Ware and Kilgour,—37.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Dent, Ricaud, Bond, Jenifer, Buchanan, Grason, Jacobs, Shriver, Biser, Annan, Gwinn, Brent of Baltimore city, Schley, Fiery, John Newcomer, Harbine, Michael Newcomer, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer and Smith—20.

So the substitute was accepted.