

we better not enter upon another argument to-day. I therefore move that this Convention do now adjourn.

The motion to adjourn was withdrawn at the request of—

Mr. DANIEL, who moved that when this Convention adjourn to-day, it be to meet at 12 M., on Monday next.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. SYKES—

The Convention then adjourned to 12 M. on Monday next.

### THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

MONDAY, June 13, 1864.

The Convention met at 12 o'clock M. (Mr. Scott in the chair.)

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Patterson.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Abbott, Annan, Audoun, Baker, Barron, Bond, Brown, Chambers, Clarke, Cunningham, Cushing, Dail, Davis, of Charles, Davis, of Washington, Denn's, Duvall, Earle, Ecker, Farrow, Galloway, Greene, Hatch, Hebb, Hopkins, Horsey, Jones, of Cecil, Jones, of Somerset, Keefer, Kennard, King, Larsh, Mace, Markey, McComas, Mitchell, Miller, Morgan, Mullikin, Negley, Noble, Nyman, Parker, Parran, Peter, Pugh, Robinette, Sands, Schlosser, Scott, Smith, of Carroll, Smith, of Dorchester, Smith, of Worcester, Sneary, Stirling, Stockbridge, Swope, Sykes, Thurston, Todd, Valliant, Wickard and Wooden—61.

The proceedings of Saturday were read and approved.

Mr. HEBB submitted the following order:

*Ordered*, That until the final vote on the Declaration of Rights shall have been taken, the Convention will hold two sessions daily, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. and 4½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. HEBB demanded the yeas and nays, and they were ordered.

The question being taken the result was— yeas 33, nays 26, as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Abbott, Annan, Baker, Cushing, Davis, of Washington, Earle, Ecker, Farrow, Galloway, Greene, Hebb, Hopkins, Jones, of Cecil, Keefer, Kennard, Mace, McComas, Mullikin, Negley, Parker, Pugh, Robinette, Scott, Smith, of Carroll, Smith, of Worcester, Sneary, Stirling, Swope, Sykes, Thurston, Todd, Wickard and Wooden—33.

*Nays*—Messrs. Audoun, Barron, Bond, Chambers, Cunningham, Dail, Davis, of Charles, Dennis, Duvall, Hatch, Horsey,

Jones, of Somerset, King, Larsh, Markey, Mitchell, Miller, Morgan, Noble, Nyman, Parran, Peter, Schlosser, Smith, of Dorchester. Stockbridge and Valliant—26.

So the order was adopted.

Mr. KING. A great many vote for this who are absent every afternoon, and I think some action ought to be taken to make those attend who voted for the evening session.

Mr. BARRON. I understand the order to be that there shall be no votes, or amendments, or anything of that kind.

Mr. STOCKBRIDGE. The order does not say so.

Mr. BARRON. Very well; then we will have another order and try that on. A great many gentlemen want to have their votes recorded, and that is all they want. I would like to know where we stand on this question.

On motion of Mr. HEBB

*Ordered*, That the use of the Hall be granted to Capt. A. R. Calhoun to deliver a Lecture on "Life in Libby Prison," tomorrow evening.

#### DECLARATION OF RIGHTS—ALLEGIANCE.

The Convention proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being the second reading of the Declaration of Rights. The article under consideration was the following:

Art. 4. The Constitution of the United States and the laws made in pursuance thereof being the supreme law of the land, every citizen of this State owes paramount allegiance to the Constitution and Government of the United States, and is not bound by any law or ordinance of this State in contravention or subversion thereof.

The pending question was the amendment of Mr. BRISCOE, to strike out the word "paramount" in the fourth line.

Mr. AUDOUN. We have occupied considerable time in this Convention with the discussion of this article; more than I think there was any necessity for; more, I am satisfied, than the people who sent us here would be willing that we should devote to any one article. I should like to know of the majority in this Convention what advantage there is in occupying so much time in this discussion. Do they suppose that by their arguments they can induce one of the members of the minority to leave his idol? You might just as well undertake to bail out the Chesapeake Bay with a teaspoon as to induce them to forsake their idol. For the purpose of bringing this dis-