

should emanate from the members collectively, and not from the Convention. He therefore proposed a substitute:

*Ordered*, That it is the sense of this Convention that the members thereof, being the representatives from every part of the State, should hold a caucus on the — day of — instant, to take into consideration the political condition of the State, and to devise such means as may best conduce to the success of sound republican principles.”

Mr. Barnes read a draft of a declaration, &c., to the people, which he intended to bring forward at the proper time.

Mr. Vansant said that believing that action in this matter, if any, should be taken after the adjournment of the Convention, he therefore moved to lay the whole subject on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

The report of the committee respecting the appointment, tenure of office, duties, and compensation of all civil officers not embraced in the duties of other standing committees, was taken up on its third reading, and certain verbal amendments reported by the committee on revision and compilation were agreed to.

The bill was then passed—ayes 92, nays 2—Messrs. Duvall and Rennolds.

The report of the committee respecting future amendments to the constitution was taken up on its third reading, and amendments reported by the committee on revision and compilation were agreed to.

The bill was then passed—ayes 96, nays none.

Mr. Vansant moved to reconsider the vote rejecting the article, “City of Baltimore,” which was agreed to.

The article then came up on its third reading.

Mr. Carter moved to amend by providing that the municipal election shall take place on the fourth Wednesday of October, instead of the second Wednesday.

Mr. Carter said it had been determined that the constitution should, if ratified by the people, go into effect on