

ersset and Worcester, near the south-west corner of the farm of William P. Morris, thence due east to the Pocomoke river, thence with the channel of said river to the beginning; shall contain a population of ten thousand white inhabitants, and the majority of the legal voters therein shall desire to separate and form a new county, and make known their desire by petition to the Legislature, the Legislature shall direct at the next succeeding election, or at an election to be specially ordered by the Legislature, that the Judges of Election in the election districts inclosed within the aforesaid limits, shall open a book at the usual place of holding elections in each of said districts, and have recorded therein the vote of each legal voter for or against the new county. In case the majority residing within the parts of Somerset and Worcester counties, respectively, shall concur in favor of the new county, then said parts of Somerset and Worcester counties, within the limits aforesaid, shall be declared an independent county, by the name of Wicomico county, and the inhabitants thereof shall have and enjoy all such rights and privileges as are held and enjoyed by the inhabitants of the other counties in this State. And the General Assembly shall provide for the organization of said new county, and for the equitable apportionment of the debts and obligations of the counties of Somerset and Worcester between the said counties and the new county, for the election of one Senator and two Delegates to the General Assembly for said new county. And after the organization of said new county Somerset county shall be entitled to two Delegates, and Worcester county to two Delegates, until a change of the representation as provided by this Constitution.

Pending the consideration of which,

Mr. Tarr, of Worcester, moved the previous question.

The question then being,

“ Shall the previous question be now put? ”

It was sustained.

The question then recurring upon the adoption of the substitute,

Mr. Jones demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand being sustained,

The yeas and nays were called and appeared as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.	Farnandis,	Merrick,
Carmichael, Pr't.	Gill,	Murray,
Alvey,	Hayden,	Page,