

Also a report from the clerk of Talbot county court, in obedience to the order of the Convention on the 15th ultimo;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

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

TUESDAY, December 10th, 1850.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Present the same members as on yesterday.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Griffith.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion of Mr. Wells, it was

Ordered, That the committee appointed "to consider and report a proper basis of Representation in the two Houses of the General Assembly, and a proper apportionment of Representation in the same," consider the expediency of creating a new county, to be styled "Howard county," out of that part of Anne Arundel county, now known as "Howard District."

Mr. Merrick, submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That the committee on Representation inquire into the expediency of adopting the following articles:

Article 1st. The Legislature shall be formed of two distinct branches, a Senate and a House of Delegates, which together shall be a complete Legislature, and shall be styled, the General Assembly of Maryland.

Art. 2nd. The House of Delegates shall consist of members to be chosen annually on the first Wednesday of the month of October, by the voters of the several counties of the State, and of the city of Baltimore, according to the number of the population of each of said counties and of the said city of Baltimore, and in conformity with the following rule: That is to say, each of said counties and the city aforesaid, shall elect one Delegate for every four thousand souls it may contain up to twenty thousand, and for any excess in the number of population in any of said counties or in the city of Baltimore above twenty thousand, and of not less than eight thousand, there shall be allowed to each county or city having such excess, one additional Delegate; and for any excess of population in any of the counties or city aforesaid, above twenty eight thousand and of not less than sixteen thousand, one other additional Delegate shall be allowed to each of the counties or to the city having such excess; and so on,