

Judges of the court having criminal jurisdiction in said counties, Howard district, and the city of Baltimore, and by whom the oath of office shall be administered.

Sec. 7th. The election of Prosecuting Attornies shall take place throughout the State, on the first Wednesday of October next, and on the same day every third year thereafter; and in case of a tie between two or more persons for said office, then, the Judge or Judges of the court having criminal jurisdiction in the county, Howard district, or city of Baltimore, in which said tie may happen, shall designate which of said persons shall qualify as Prosecuting Attorney.

Which was read,

Mr. Merrick, chairman of the committee on Representation, submitted the following :

REPORT:

Section 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.

Sec. 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, duplicating the number of souls required to be in excess above last the number upon which an additional delegate was allowed, for the allowance of each further additional Delegate, to which by such duplicating ratio, any of the counties or the city of Baltimore, may be entitled for the whole number of its population, and for any fractional number of inhabitants in any county or in the city of Baltimore, less than sufficient to entitle the county or city, to an additional Delegate, according to the foregoing rule, and greater than one-half the highest number upon which according to said rule Delegates or an additional Delegate is allowed to said county or city, one additional Delegate shall be allowed to the county or city having such fraction.