

sideration of the amendment offered by him on yesterday, and rejected by the convention, as an amendment to the 2nd section.

Mr. Smith, with the unanimous consent of the convention gave notice of his intention to offer the following amendment, "in the aggregate statement by him on the 17th inst. to add two delegates to Baltimore city, making the aggregate 71, as will be found in twelfth column of said tabular statement.

Mr. Brent, of Baltimore city, gave notice of his intention at the proper time, to offer the following amendment as a substitute for the 2nd section :

Sec. 2. The House of Delegates shall (until the re-apportionment hereafter provided) consist of eighty-seven members, to be apportioned among the several counties and the city of Baltimore, according to the ratio hereinprovided, and to their several numbers (as shown by the last census of the United States,) which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons including those bound to service for a term of years; three fifths of the slaves, and allowing to each county and Baltimore city, one additional delegate for every fraction of the ratio exceeding eight hundred. The ratio shall be seven thousand of said population in said city and counties, that is ; to the said delegates shall be apportioned as follows :

Allegany 4, Anne Arundel 3, Baltimore city 24, Baltimore county 6, Carroll county 3, Caroline 2, Calvert 2, Cecil 3, Charles 2, Dorchester 3, Frederick 6, Harford 3, Kent 2, Montgomery 2, Prince George's 3, Queen Anne's 2, St. Mary's 2, Somerset 3, Talbot 2, Washington 5, Worcester 3.—total 87.

And it shall be the duty of the General Assembly every ten years computing from its next session to re-apportion the House of Delegates upon the basis of population as aforesaid, by dividing the several counties and the city of Baltimore into as many election districts as the number of delegates to be elected, the said districts to be equal in population as nearly as possible ; provided the said number of delegates shall at no time exceed ninety.

Mr. Mitchell, moved the Convention adjourn ;

Mr. Thomas, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being ordered appeared as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE—*Messrs.* Chapman, Pres't, Morgan, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Dorsey, Wells, Dalrymple, Bond, Sollers, Brent, of Charles, Howard, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Chandler, John Dennis, Constable, Bowling, Spencer, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks Jacobs, Sappington, Stephenson, Thawley, Stewart, of Balt. city, Brent of Baltimore city, Pressman, Ware, Waters, Anderson, Fitzpatrick and Smith—36.

NEGATIVE—*Messrs* Blakistone, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Randall, Kent, Sellman, Weems, Merrick, Jenifer, Ridgely, Lloyd, James U. Dennis, Crisfield, Williams,