

Michael Newcomer, Brewer, Anderson, Weber, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, Parke, Shower, Cockey and Brown—65.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Bowie then offered the following as an independent proposition ;

“The Legislature shall divide the city of Baltimore into ten districts of contiguous wards, and as nearly as may be of equal population, and each of said districts shall be entitled to elect one delegate to the General Assembly ;”

Which was read.

Mr. Johnson offered as a substitute for said amendment the following :

The Legislature at its first session after the adoption of this constitution, shall provide by law for laying off and dividing the city of Baltimore into five representative districts of contiguous wards, and of as nearly equal population as convenient, each of which districts shall elect two members to the house of Delegates. The legislature shall at the same session, also provide that each county being entitled to six delegates shall be divided into three districts of compact and contiguous territory, of as nearly equal population as convenient, each of which districts shall elect two members to the house of Delegates ; that each county being entitled to five delegates shall be divided into two districts, of compact and contiguous territory, one of which districts shall elect three members, and the others shall elect two members to the house of Delegates ; that each county being entitled to four delegates shall be divided into two districts of compact and contiguous territory, and of as nearly equal population as convenient, each of which shall elect two members to the house of Delegates, and that counties entitled to three delegates and less shall elect as single districts without division ; the residence in a district requisite to give a right of suffrage shall be six months next preceeding the election ; but in case any voter otherwise qualified shall have less than six months residence in the district of his then residence, he shall not thereby lose his right to vote in the district in which he may have resided for the six months next preceeding his removal.

Which was read.

Mr. Spencer moved the previous question and being seconded,
The question was put,

“Will the Convection accept the substitute ?”

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

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Chapman, Prest., Morgan, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Dalrymple, Brent, of Charles, Merrick, Jenifer, Williams, Hicks, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Phelps, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Dirickson, Mc