

nor—whether it should be by the popular vote or by col lege.

The division was ordered.

Mr. DORSEY said, he had on a former occasion expressed his reasons for desiring a change in the mode of electing a Governor. He would not trespass on the time of the Convention by repeating them.

Mr. D. then made a few remarks as to the increase of power which Baltimore would obtain after the next census.

Mr. MITCHELL said:

That as far as he understood the history of the State, the counties of St. Mary's and Kent were the original State. In consideration of this fact, he would suggest as an act of generosity and grace on the part of the Convention, that each of these counties should be allowed twenty votes. [Laughter]

The question then recurred, and was taken on the first branch of the amendment of Mr. DORSEY, in these words:

"To be chosen by an electoral college."

Mr. WARE asked the yeas and nays,
Which were ordered,

And being taken, resulted as follows:

Affirmative—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Chambers of Kent, Dorsey, Wells, Kent, Bond, Sprigg, McCubbin and Fooks—9.

Negative—Messrs. Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Mitchell, Donaldson, Randall, Sellman, Weems, Dalrymple, Sollers, Jenifer, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Lloyd, Colston, Dashiell, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Chambers of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, Bowie, Bowling, Spencer, Gra-on, George, McMaster, Thomas Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Thawley, Hardcastle, Gwinn, Brent of Baltimore city, Sherwood of Baltimore city, Prestman, Ware, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Michael Newcomer, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer, Parke, Ege, Cockey and Brown—60.

So the first branch of the amendment of Mr. DORSEY was rejected.

The rest of the proposition of Mr. DORSEY fell, the first branch having been rejected.

Some conversation followed in relation to the order of proceeding.

Mr. DORSEY moved an amendment, (as to the day of the election,) which amendment, he said, had been made necessary by the action of the Convention in relation to the day of the meeting of the legislature. As originally reported, the bill was all right. The charge had been made since.

Mr. GRASON was not, he said, in the Convention when the time was fixed for the meeting of the legislature. He would prefer the second Wednesday in January.

Mr. DORSEY accepted the modification.

The amendment was agreed to

The question was then stated to be on the motion of Mr. GRASON to strike out three years, (as the term of the governor,) and insert four.

Mr. JENIFER briefly sustained the motion.

Mr. SPENCER called for a division of the question on striking out;

Which was ordered.

The yeas and nays were asked and ordered, and

Being taken, resulted as follows:

Affirmative—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Dalrymple, Bond, Jenifer, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Bowie, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Spencer, Grason, George, McMaster, Fooks, Thomas, Gaither, Annan, Sappington, Thawley, Hardcastle, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Davis, Weber, Hollyday, Slicer, Ege and Cockey—51.

Negative—Messrs. Lloyd, Colston, Chambers, of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, Shriver, Biser, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Gwinn, Brent of Baltimore city, Sherwood, of Baltimore city, Pressman, Ware, Michael Newcomer, Parke and Brown—18.

So the motion to strike out was agreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. GRASON to insert "four" years.

Mr. EGE moved "two years."

The question was taken on the motion to insert "four" years, and

The result was as follows:

Affirmative—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Jenifer, Crisfield, Dashiell, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Bowie, Sprigg, McCubbin, Spencer, Grason, George, McMaster, Fook-, Thomas, Annan, McHenry, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Davis, Hollyday and Slicer—39.

Negative—Messrs. Dalrymple, Bond, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Lloyd, Colston, Chambers of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, Bowling, Shriver, Gaither, Biser, Sappington, Stephenson, Hardcastle, Gwinn, Brent of Baltimore city, Sherwood of Baltimore city, Prestman, Ware, Weber, Parke, Ege, Cockey and Brown—27.

So the motion to insert "four" years, was agreed to.

And then the Convention adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock.

DEFERRED DEBATES.

Remarks of Mr. Constable, March 4th, on the motion made by him to strike out a portion of the amendment of Mr. George. [See proceedings of March 5]

Mr. CONSTABLE was understood to say, that, when the Convention, on Friday last, reconsidered the section proposed by the gentleman from Queen Anne's, (Mr. George,) he, (Mr. C.) had offered a substitute, with the understanding that the subject would be postponed to a future day, when he hoped to be able to take some part in the discussion. In this, however, he was disappointed, as ill health still admonished him to ab-