

adopt, upon a division of the question, the proposition of the gentleman from Kent, and reject mine, I can move to reconsider, and start where we began. I yielded to that. The gentleman from Frederick took his amendment into his own hands. We have gone the circle. My colleague has moved to reconsider, which motion has been agreed to. I do not want to travel the circle over again; whether the House is in favor of the combined proposition of districting the counties and the city of Baltimore, or not. I shall interpose no obstacle to their action.

Mr. CHAMBERS moved to amend the first branch of his proposition, by adding thereto the following:

"The Legislature at its first session shall pass such laws as may be necessary to lay off the city of Baltimore into ten districts, to be composed of compact contiguous wards, and as are nearly as may be of equal population."

The amendment was agreed to.

The previous question was then seconded, and the question recurred on agreeing to the substitute of Mr. THOMAS for the proposition of Mr. CHAMBERS.

Mr. THOMAS asked for the yeas and nays, which which were ordered,

And being taken, resulted as follows:

*Affirmative*—Messrs. Donaldson, Howard, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Chandler, Ridgely, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood, of Talbot, Colston, Chambers, of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, McLane, Spencer, Grason, George, Wright, Thomas, Shriver, Johnson, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Nelson, Carter, Thawley, Stewart, of Caroline, Gwinn, Stewart, of Baltimore city, Sherwood, of Baltimore city, Ware, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Harbine, Michael Newcomer, Brewer, Anderson, Weber, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, Parke, Shower, Cockey and Brown—52.

*Negative*—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't. Morgan, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Bond, Brent, of Charles, Merrick, Jenifer, John Dennis, James U. Dennis, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Phelps, Bowie, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Davis, Kilgour and Waters—39.

So the Convention accepted the substitute.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the amendment as an article in the Constitution.

Mr. CHAMBERS asked a division of the proposition.

The PRESIDENT stated that the proposition was so worded as not to admit of a division.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the proposition, as amended, as an article of the Constitution.

Mr. JOHNSON moved the question be taken by yeas and nays,

Which being ordered,

Appeared as follows:

*Affirmative*—Messrs. Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Sellman, Merrick, Bell, Chandler, Ridgely, McLane, Fooks, Thomas, Johnson,

Gaither, Annan, McHenry, Magraw, Schley, Fiery, Neill, John Newcomer, Harbine, Brewer, Weber, Smith, Cockey and Brown—27.

*Negative*—Messrs. Chapman, president, Morgan, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Kent, Weems, Bond, Brent of Charles, Jenifer, Howard, Buchanan, Welch, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood of Talbot, Colston, John Dennis, James U. Dennis, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Phelps, Chambers of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, Bowie, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Spencer, Grason, George, Wright, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Jacobs, Shriver, Biser, Sappington, Stephenson, Nelson, Carter, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Gwinn, Stewart of Balt. city, Brent of Baltimore city, Sherwood of Balt. city, Ware, Michael Newcomer, Davis, Kilgour, Waters, Anderson, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, Parke and Shower—67.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. CHAMBERS of Kent, made some remarks which will be published hereafter.

Mr. THOMAS. I yield to the same wish of the gentleman from Kent, that the sense of the House should be entertained upon that proposition, but I shall prefer it shall be done in the morning, after deliberation. I therefore move to adjourn.

Mr. BOWIE moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays,

Which being ordered, appeared as follows:

*Affirmative*—Messrs. Sellman, Bond, Howard, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Chandler, Ridgely, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood of Talbot, Colston, Chambers of Cecil, McCullough, Miller, McLane, Spencer, Grason, George, Wright, Thomas, Shriver, Johnson, Gaither, Biser, Annan, Sappington, Stephenson, McHenry, Magraw, Nelson, Carter, Thawley, Stewart of Caroline, Gwinn, Stewart of Baltimore city, Brent of Baltimore city, Sherwood of Baltimore city, Ware, Neill, Brewer, Anderson, Weber, Hollyday, Fitzpatrick, Parke, Shower and Brown—48.

*Negative*—Messrs. Chapman, President; Morgan, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent, Mitchell, Donaldson, Dorsey, Wells, Randall, Kent, Weems, Brent, of Charles, Merrick, Jenifer, John Dennis, Jas. U. Dennis, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Phelps, Bowie, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Dirickson, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Jacobs, Schley, Fiery, Jno. Newcomer, Harbine, Michael Newcomer, Davis, Kilgour, Waters and Smith—45.

So the Convention accordingly adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, May 3d, 1851.

The Convention met at ten o'clock. Prayer was made by the Rev. Mr. GRIFFITH. The journal of yesterday was read.