

thority of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, shall give, contribute or subscribe, or promise so to do, any money or other thing of value, to be used or employed in any way in aiding or promoting the success of his election, except some reasonable sum to be applied to the payment of the expense of printing ballots to be cast at the election. And any person herein offending, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, in a court of law, shall be punished by fine and imprisonment, as the Legislature may hereafter from time to time direct, and the person thus convicted shall be incompetent to hold the office to which he may have been elected.

"Art. 2. No person in this State, not a candidate, or nominated as aforesaid, shall give, contribute or subscribe any sum or sums of money, or other thing of value, to be used in any electioneering canvass, or to be expended in any way in relation to any election to be held under the Constitution or laws of this State, or under any ordinance or authority derived from the mayor and city council of Baltimore, unless such gift, contribution or subscription be directed by its author, to be exclusively applied to the giving of barbecues or treats, at which candidates or others may have an opportunity of addressing their fellow-citizens; or to the circulation of newspapers, or printing of public documents or political essays, addresses or handbills, designed for circulation among the people, or providing vehicles for the transportation of voters to the polls, or to the printing of tickets designed for the ballot-box; and any person herein offending, and any person, himself or through the agency of another, applying such gift, contribution or subscription to any electioneering purpose, contrary to such direction, upon conviction thereof in a court of law, shall be fined and imprisoned as shall hereafter by the Legislature be, from time to time, directed.

"Art. 3. No person in this State holding any office or appointment under the Constitution or laws of the United States, or any of the officers thereof, shall give, contribute or subscribe any sum or sums of money or articles of value to be used in any electioneering canvass, or to be expended in any way in relation to any election to be held under the Constitution or laws of this State, or ordinances of the mayor and city council of Baltimore; and any person herein offending, upon conviction in a court of law, shall be fined and imprisoned as may hereafter, from time to time, be directed by the Legislature.

"Art. 4. No person in this State shall, himself or through the agency of others, receive, use or expend any sum or sums of money, or other thing of value given, contributed or subscribed by any person or persons whatsoever, living out the State of Maryland, to be made operative in any electioneering canvass, as to any election about to be held under the Constitution or laws of this State, or under the ordinances or authority of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, and any person so receiving, using or expending, and each and every of his agents therein, upon

conviction thereof, in a court of law, shall be fined and imprisoned, as the Legislature may hereafter, from time to time direct.

"Art. 5. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly of Maryland, to pass laws to punish, with fine and imprisonment, any person who shall remove into any election district, or into any ward of the city of Baltimore, not for the purpose of acquiring a *bona fide* residence therein, but for the purpose of voting therein at an approaching election, or who shall vote in any election district or ward in which he does not reside, (except in the case provided for in the first article of this Constitution,) or shall, at the same election, vote in more than one election district or ward, or shall vote, or offer to vote, in any name not his own, or in place of any other person of the same name, or shall vote in any county in which he does not reside.

"Art. 6. Over the foregoing offences, and the punishment imposed thereon, the Executive shall exercise no power or control, except in cases where upon proof laid before the Governor, he shall be satisfied that the conviction was the result of malice, and the offence imputed was unfounded in fact; in which cases he may exert the pardoning power; and shall report the same to the Legislature at its pending or next succeeding session, with the proofs which induced the executive interposition.

"Art. 7. The Legislature ought to pass a law punishing by imprisonment, as well as fine, any person making a bet or wager on the result of any election to be held in this State; or on the result of any election to be held for a President or Vice President of the United States."

The question was first taken on the adoption of the first amendment, and

Determined in the negative.

The second amendment was then read.

Mr. STEWART of Baltimore city, moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "ballot box," these words "or for platform for political speakers to stand on, music, transparencies and other incidental expenses necessary and proper."

Mr. SPENCER moved the previous question, and being seconded,

The question was then taken on the amendment as offered Mr. STEWART of Baltimore city, and

Determined in the affirmative.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the amendment as amended, and

Determined in the negative.

The third amendment was then read and rejected.

Mr. DORSEY demanded the yeas and nays, which were not ordered.

The fourth amendment was then read and rejected.

The fifth amendment was then read.

Mr. DORSEY demanded the yeas and nays on this amendment, which being ordered and taken, resulted as follows:

*Affirmative*—Messrs. Morgan, Blakistone, Dent, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers of Kent,