

## Convention Acts.

### CHAPTER 327.

NOTE—The Act of 1864, c 5 which provided for the taking of the sense of the people upon the call of a Convention to frame a New Constitution and Form of Government, &c., is construed in *Miles v Bradford, Governor*, 22 Md. 170.

1867, c. 327, an Act to provide for taking the sense of the people of this State on the call of a Convention to frame a New Constitution and Form of Government, and for assembling the members thereof.

SEC. 1. On the second Wednesday of April next, <sup>Vote on the call for a conven-</sup> at the same places where county and city elections <sup>tion.</sup> are now by law held for the election of delegates to the general assembly, every person entitled to vote for delegates to the general assembly shall vote on the question of a call of a convention to frame a new constitution and form of government, with a clause therein prohibiting the legislature from making any law providing for payment by this state for persons heretofore held as slaves, by expressing in writing or by printed form the words "for a convention" or "against a convention" as the case may be; and in case there shall be any ballots without the designation so prescribed, the same shall not be counted for or against a convention, but a separate return thereof shall be made by the judges of election.

2. At the said election the registered voters of the <sup>Delegates.]</sup> state shall elect by ballot delegates to the said convention, whose qualifications shall be the same as those now required for members of the house of delegates, and each county and the city of Baltimore shall be entitled to elect respectively the number of delegates to said convention herein provided, namely: St. Mary's county, three delegates; Kent county, four delegates; Calvert county, three delegates; Charles county, three delegates; Baltimore county, seven delegates; Talbot county, four delegates; Somerset county, five delegates; Dorchester county, four delegates; Cecil county, five delegates; Prince George's county, four delegates; Queen Anne's county, four delegates; Worcester county,