

nal proposition, which was about to be read, when—

Mr. TUCK called attention to the fact that Mr. SOLLERS had not yielded the floor.

After some discussion as to the right of Mr. BROWN to offer the amendment, at that time,

The PRESIDENT ruled that the amendment could not be received, and that Mr. SOLLERS was entitled to the floor.

Mr. SOLLERS argued in favor of protection to the smaller counties.

Mr. CHANDLER moved that the Convention adjourn until twelve o'clock on Monday next.

Mr. CHAMBERS, of Kent, suggested that before the adjournment, propositions should be presented informally from such gentlemen as were prepared to do so.

Mr. STEPHENSON gave notice of his intention to move a reconsideration of the amendment offered by him on yesterday, and rejected by the Convention, as an amendment to the second section.

Mr. SMITH gave notice of his intention to offer the following amendment, in the aggregate statement by him on the seventeenth instant, to add two delegates to Baltimore city, making the aggregate seventy-one, as will be found in twelfth column of the tabular statement.

Mr. BRENT, of Baltimore city, gave notice of his intention at the proper time, to offer the following amendment as a substitute for the second section.

Sec. 2. The House of Delegates shall, (until the re-apportionment hereafter provided,) consist of eighty-seven members, to be apportioned among the several counties and the city of Baltimore, according to the ratio herein provided, and to their several numbers, (as shown by the last census of the United States,) which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons including those bound to service for a term of years; three-fifths of the slaves, and allowing to each county and Baltimore city, one additional delegate for every fraction of the ratio exceeding eight hundred. The ratio shall be seven thousand of said population in said city and

counties, that is—to the said delegates shall be apportioned as follows:

	Delegates.
Allegany county, shall have	4
Anne Arundel,	3
Baltimore city,	24
Baltimore,	6
Carroll,	3
Caroline,	2
Calvert,	2
Cecil,	3
Charles,	2
Dorchester,	3
Frederick,	6
Harford,	3
Kent,	2
Montgomery,	2
Prince George's,	3
Queen Anne's,	2
St. Mary's,	2
Somerset,	3
Talbot,	2
Washington,	5
Worcester,	3
Total,	87

And it shall be the duty of the General Assembly every ten years computing from its next session to re-apportion the House of Delegates upon the basis of population as aforesaid, by dividing the several counties and the city of Baltimore into as many election districts as the number of delegates to be elected, the said districts to be equal in population as nearly as possible; provided the said number of delegates shall at no time exceed ninety.

Mr. THOMAS demanded the yeas and nays, on the motion to adjourn;

Which were ordered,

And being taken, resulted—

Yeas 36, nays 55.

So the motion to adjourn did not prevail.

The question recurred upon the amendment of Mr. SOLLERS, to the amendment of Mr. JENIFER.

Mr. SOLLERS demanded the yeas and nays,

Which were ordered,

And being taken, resulted—