

sign to use these specimens of his work when applying for other work. He brought here a copy of the debates of another constitutional convention of which he was the official reporter, and presented it to the authority having the appointing of the reporter to this convention, as an evidence of his ability as a reporter.

The question being taken, the amendment was adopted.

The order as amended was then adopted.

THANKS TO THE SECRETARIES, &c.

On motion of Mr. DUVAL, it was "Ordered, That the thanks of this convention are due to and are hereby tendered Wm. R. Cole and John H. Shaw, secretary and assistant secretary, and all other officers connected with the convention, for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties."

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. EARLE, from the committee of revision, reported back to the convention the article on the legislative department; and preparatory to offering amendments, proposed a rearrangement of the sections according to the following table. The first column represents the number of each section as arranged in committee; the second column the corresponding number as adopted in convention:

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The above rearrangement of sections having been adopted by the convention,

Mr. EARLE, on behalf of the committee, recommended the following verbal amendments:

In the first line of the third section after the word "each," strike out "district of the city of Baltimore" and insert "of the legislative districts of Baltimore city." In the fourth line of the same section strike out the word "who;" and in the fifth line before the word "election," strike out "their" and insert "his." At the end of the section add these words: "Subject to the classification of senators hereinafter provided for."

In the third, sixth and tenth lines of the fourth section insert the word "legislative" before the word "districts." And in the same section strike out these words: "Upon this principle and until the next national census or State enumeration of inhabitants, the house of delegates shall consist of seventy-nine members distributed as follows," and insert the following: "Upon this principle, and as soon as practicable after each national census or State enumeration of inhabitants, the general assembly shall apportion the members of the house of delegates among the several counties, and the several legislative districts of Baltimore city, according to the white population of each. But until such apportionment is made, the house of delegates shall consist of eighty members, distributed as follows."

In the fifth line of the fifth section, strike out "city of Baltimore," and insert "the legislative districts of Baltimore city."

In the fifth line of the eighth section after the word "or" and before the word "city," insert "in the legislative district of Baltimore," and in the sixth line of the same section, strike out the word "city," and insert "legislative district of said city."