

327, the oath or affirmation required to be taken by the members and officers of this Convention is as follows :

I, _____, do swear or affirm, as the case may be, that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland, discharge the duties of a member, or officer, of the Convention to frame a new Constitution and Form of Government for the State of Maryland, called in pursuance of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, passed in the year 1867, chapter 327, and that, since the fourth day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one, I have not in any manner violated the provisions of the present, or the late Constitution in relation to the bribery of voters, or preventing legal votes, or procuring illegal votes to be given, and I do further swear or affirm, that I will bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and laws thereof, and that I will bear true allegiance to the United States, and support, protect and defend the Constitution, Laws and Government thereof as the supreme law of the land, any law or ordinance of this or any State to the contrary notwithstanding, and I do further swear, or affirm, that I will, to the best of my ability, protect and defend the Union of the United States, and not allow the same to be broken up and dissolved, or the Government thereof to be destroyed under any circumstances, if in my power to prevent it, and that I will, at all times, discountenance and oppose all political combinations having for their object such dissolution or destruction.

The committee further report that said oath should be administered to the President elect of the Convention by some judge or justice of the peace of the State, and should then in conformity with the third section of the sixty-eighth article of the Code of Public General Laws be administered by said President to the other members of the Convention, and to the officers thereof, and that said oath, after having been administered as aforesaid, should be subscribed by said President, members and officers of the Convention respectively, in conformity with the provisions of said article of the Code.

JOSEPH A. WICKES,
GEO. WM. BROWN,
ALBERT RITCHIE.

Which was read and adopted.

The oath of office was then duly administered to Hon. Richard B. Carmichael, President elect of the Convention, by Hon. Daniel R. Magruder, Judge of the 2nd Judicial District.