

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.

The president of the Convention, Judge Carmichael, then took the oath of office before Judge Daniel R. Magruder, and subscribed his name thereto.

The oath of office was then similarly taken and subscribed to by the members of the Convention, by delegations, before the president.

Mr. Geo. M. Gill offered the following, which was adopted.

Ordered that the following persons be declared appointed to the offices of this Convention for which they are respectively named, and during the pleasure of this Convention: Secretary, Milton Y. Kidd, of Cecil county;