

# THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND.

That the said elector, who, before his voting, shall be objected against by any three of the electors, if such person is not, in my judgment, qualified to vote, as aforesaid, and will in all things execute the office of judge of the said elections according to the best of my knowledge, without favour or partiality; to help me God." That every clerk before he enters any vote on the polls, shall take the following oath, to wit: "I, A. B., do declare, that I will well and faithfully, without favour, affection or partiality, execute the office of clerk of the elections for \_\_\_\_\_ county, the city of Annapolis, or Baltimore-town, according the best of my knowledge, to help me God."

## ALTERATIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

An ACT (a) to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature or council, or holding offices in this state.

**B**E IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That no member of congress, or person holding an office of trust or profit under the United States, shall be capable of having a seat in the general assembly, or being an elector of the senate, or holding any office of trust or profit under this state; and if any member of the general assembly, elector of the senate, or person holding an office of trust or profit under this state, shall take his seat in congress, or accept of an office of trust or profit under the United States, or being elected to congress, or appointed to an office of trust or profit under the United States, not make his resignation of his seat in congress, or of his office, as the case may be, within thirty days after notice of his election or appointment to office as aforesaid; his seat in the legislature of this state, or as elector of the senate, or of his office held under this state as aforesaid, shall be void; provided, that no person who is now, or may be at the time when this act becomes part of the constitution, a member both of congress and of the legislature of this state, or who now holds, or may hold at the time when this act becomes part of the constitution, an office as aforesaid, both under this state and the United States, shall be affected by this act, if, within fifteen days after the same shall become part of the constitution, he shall resign his seat in congress, or his office held under the United States; and if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, according to the constitution and form of government, that in such case this alteration and amendment of the constitution and form of government shall constitute and be valid as part thereof, and every thing therein contained repugnant to or inconsistent with this alteration and amendment shall be repealed and abolished.

An ACT (b) to confirm an act to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature or council, or holding offices in this state.

**B**E IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety one, entitled, "An act to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature or council, or holding offices in this state, shall be and is hereby confirmed.

An ACT (c) to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government which prevent persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath from being members of the legislature, electors of the senate, or to hold offices of profit and trust.

**B**E IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That every person, being a member of either of the religious sects or societies called Quakers, Menonists, Tunkers or Nicolites, or New Quakers, and who shall be conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath on any occasion, being otherwise qualified and duly elected a senator, delegate, or elector of the senate, or being otherwise qualified and duly appointed or elected to any office of profit or trust, on making affirmation instead of taking the several oaths appointed by the constitution and form of government, and the several acts of assembly of this state now in force, or that hereafter may be made, such person may hold and exercise any office of profit or trust to which he may be appointed or elected, and may, by such affirmation, qualify himself to take a seat in the legislature, and to act therein as a member of the same in all cases whatever, or to be an elector of the senate, in as full and ample a manner, to all intents and purposes whatever, as persons are now competent and qualified to act who are not conscientiously scrupulous of taking such oaths.