

said votes in any county, shall be in favor of the establishment of primary schools as is therein provided for, then and in that case the said act shall be valid for such county or counties, otherwise of no effect whatever.

And be it enacted, That if a majority of the votes of any county in this state, shall be against the establishment of primary schools as established by this act, then and in that case the said act shall be void as to that county.

And whereas the establishment of primary schools is a matter of the greatest importance to the welfare and prosperity of the state; Therefore be it enacted that the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and required to present to the consideration of the general assembly at their next session, such a plan of primary instruction, as in their judgment is best calculated to promote so desirable an object

The same being read, a division of the question was called, and put upon the adoption of the first and second sections of the amendment, and determined in the affirmative. The question was then put on the adoption of the third section of the amendment, and determined in the negative.

The bill was then read a third time, and the question was put, "shall the bill pass?" The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follows.

AFFIRMATIVE.

Stewart, Pres't
Bowie
Claude

Dickinson
Emory
Johnson

Miller
Quinton
Tilghman—9

NEGATIVE.

Brownley
Kent

Orrell

Scott
—4

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Scott from the committee to whom was referred the bill to authorize the mayor and city council of Baltimore to establish public schools in the city of Baltimore, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment:

"*And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act contained shall have any effect and operation in law, unless the same shall be first approved of and adopted by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, at the first session of the city council, which shall take place after the thirty-first day of December next; which amendment was read and assented to.

The bill was then read a second and by special order a third time, and will pass.