

shall desire to separate and form a new county, and make known their desire by petition to the Legislature, the Legislature shall direct at the next succeeding election, that the judges shall open a book at each election district in said part of Allegany county, and have recorded therein the vote of each elector "For" or "Against" a new county. In case the majority are in favor, then said part of Allegany county to be declared an independent county, and the inhabitants whereof shall have and enjoy all such rights and privileges as are held and enjoyed by the inhabitants of the other counties in this State; provided, that the whole representation in the General Assembly of the county, when divided, shall not exceed the present delegation, of Allegany county, allowed under the constitution, until after the next census.

ARTICLE IX.—MILITIA.

SEC. 1. It shall be the duty of the Legislature to pass laws for the enrollment of the militia; to provide for districting the State into divisions, brigades, battalions, regiments and companies; and and to pass laws for the effectual encouragement of volunteer corps by some mode which may induce the formation and continuance of at least one volunteer company in every county and division in the city of Baltimore. The company, battalion and regimental officers (staff officers excepted) shall be elected by the persons composing their several companies, battalions and regiments.

SEC. 2. The Adjutant General shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. He shall hold his office for the term of six years, and receive the same salary as heretofore, until changed by the Legislature.

ARTICLE X.—MISCELLANEOUS.

SEC. 1. Every officer of this State, the Governor excepted, the entire amount of whose pay or compensation received for the discharge of his official duties, shall exceed the yearly sum of three thousand dollars, shall keep a book in which shall be entered every sum or sums of money received by him or on his account as a payment or compensation for his performance of official duties, a copy of which entries in said book, verified by the oath of the officer by whom it is directed to be kept, shall be returned yearly to the Treasurer of the State for his inspection, and that of the General Assembly of Maryland; and each of such officers, when the amount received by him for the year shall exceed the sum of three thousand dollars, shall yearly pay over to the Treasurer the amount of such excess by him received, subject to such disposition thereof as the Legislature may deem just and equitable. And any such officer failing to comply with the said requisition, shall be deemed to have vacated his office, and be subject to suit by the State for the amount that ought to have been paid into the treasury.

SEC. 2. The Legislature shall have power to pass all such laws as may be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the powers vested by this Constitution, in any department or of-