

§ 2. When that part of Allegany county, lying south and west of a line beginning at the summit of Big Back Bone or Savage Mountain, where that mountain is crossed by Mason and Dixon's line, and running thence by a straight line, to the middle of Savage river where it empties into the Potomac river, thence by a straight line, to the nearest point or boundary of the state of Virginia; then with said boundary to the Fairfax stone, shall contain a population of ten thousand, and the majority of electors thereof 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 favour, 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 this constitution until after the next census.

ARTICLE IX.

Militia.

§ 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 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.

§ 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.

§ 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