

SENATE No. 14.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, January 18, 1878.

The Joint Special Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was committed the Resolve, passed by the General Court, for an Amendment of the Constitution, authorizing the General Court to divide any town into election districts, have considered the same, and report the Resolve passed by the last General Court back to the Senate and House of Representatives for their action, respectively, as provided in the Constitution, in case of amendments thereto, passed by one Legislature, and referred by it to the General Court then next to be chosen; and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration thereof.

For the Committee,

CHAS. THEO. RUSSELL, *Chairman.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Seven.

RESOLVE

Providing for an Amendment to the Constitution, to permit the Division of Towns into Election Districts.

Resolved, By both houses, the same being agreed to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the members of the house of representatives present and voting thereon, that it is expedient to alter the constitution of this Commonwealth by adopting the subjoined article of amendment; and that the same, as thus agreed to, be entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the general court next to be chosen; and that the same be published, to the end, that, if agreed to by the general court next to be chosen, in the manner provided by the constitution, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the constitution of this Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

1 The general court shall have full power to divide
2 any town into election districts, and prescribe the
3 manner of calling and holding public meetings of
4 the legal voters of such town in such districts, for
5 the election of officers under the constitution, and
6 the manner of receiving and returning the votes
7 given at such elections.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 15, 1877.

The foregoing article of amendment is agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative; and the same is referred to the General Court next to be chosen.

Sent up for concurrence.

GEO. A. MARDEN, *Clerk.*

SENATE, March 22, 1877.

The foregoing article of amendment is agreed to, a majority of the members of the Senate present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative; and the same is referred, in concurrence, to the General Court next to be chosen.

S. N. GIFFORD, *Clerk.*

