

the people of Maryland might be trusted in this matter. No one doubted that this was a white man's government, and that in a few years the storm of fanaticism would pass over, and there would be no necessity for this.

Mr. Carter would withdraw the amendment and offer another to insert after the words, "and qualified voters thereof," the words "under the constitution." He granted the gentleman from Howard, (Mr. Merrick,) that there was no danger of the white people electing a negro as judge, but if the latter were declared voters the case would be different.

Mr. Merrick said the negroes only comprised one-fifth of the population of Maryland.

Mr. Carter said in some of the circuits they would outnumber the whites.

The amendment was then adopted, and no further amendments being offered, section 3 was read. [It provides for electing judges by the people in the several judicial circuits.]

Mr. Vansant said as the section related to the tenure of office, which was a most important subject, he moved that it be passed over informally, which was agreed to.

Section 4 was read and passed over without amendment.

Section 5 being under consideration,

Mr. Rennolds moved to adjourn, which was agreed to by a vote of 31 to 30.

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, MONDAY, JULY 15.

Convention met at 10½ o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Maulsby submitted an order that on and after tomorrow there be two daily sessions, commencing at 10 A. M. and 8 P. M.

Mr. Vansant was as much in favor as any member of bringing the labors of this Convention to as speedy a termination as practicable, but his experience had demon-