

sary, of the utter inutility of the whole system, as reported by the majority of the committee, and contended that under the one-judge system only could the wants of the people be met. Mr. Archer submitted the following as a substitute for the entire section:

“Sec. 14. The Court of Appeals shall consist of a chief judge and four associate judges, and for their selection the State shall be divided into five judicial districts, as follows: Worcester, Somerset, Dorchester, Talbot, Caroline, Queen Anne’s and Kent counties shall compose the first district; Cecil, Harford, Baltimore and Carroll counties shall compose the second district; Baltimore city shall compose the third district; Allegany, Washington, Frederick and Montgomery counties shall compose the fourth district; and St. Mary’s, Charles, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Prince George’s and Howard counties shall compose the fifth district; one of the judges of the Court of Appeals shall be elected from each of said districts by the qualified voters thereof; and the salary of each judge shall be four thousand dollars, (\$4,000.)”

FIFTY-FOURTH DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, WEDNESDAY, JULY 24.

Convention met at 10 o’clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Leech.

On motion of Mr. Carter, the Convention resolved itself into committee of the whole. Part 2 of the judiciary report, relating to the Court of Appeals, was taken up and read.

On motion of Mr. Carter, the committee then rose, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Convention then took up for consideration part second of the judiciary report, relating to the Court of Appeals, the pending question being on the substitute of Mr. Archer.

Mr. Brown took the floor in support of the minority report.

Mr. Alvey followed in support of the majority report.

Mr. Motter moved an amendment to the amendment of