

If this miserable, fanatical Congress should succeed in imposing negro suffrage, he warned this Convention that Worcester county would be completely at the mercy of the combined radical and negro vote; and he assured the members that if adopted, Worcester would go overwhelmingly against the constitution, and in support of this assertion he (Mr. McM.) read a letter from the Hon. John R. Franklin, that he feared it would induce both Worcester and Somerset counties to go against the constitution.

The amendment of Mr. Jones was adopted.

The Convention then took a recess until 8 P. M.

SIXTY-FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at eight o'clock, seventy-nine members being present.

The report of the committee providing for the formation of Wicomico county out of parts of Somerset and Worcester was taken up.

Mr. Jones moved as a substitute for the whole report the report of the minority of the committee.

Mr. McKaig offered an amendment that the counties of Somerset and Worcester shall hereafter constitute a new county, to be called Wicomico county.

Without coming to a vote the Convention at 10 P. M. adjourned.

SIXTY-SECOND DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 2.

Convention met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Merrick, from the select committee appointed to inquire whether it is practicable to divide the State into seven judicial circuits, reported that such a division cannot be made without at least one circuit being disproportionately large and imposing an amount of business which the judges could not dispatch with efficiency. The committee asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.