

adoption of the majority report. This system prevails in England, where the highest judicial officer in the realm can go on the bench of the Criminal Court. It also prevails in our federal system; and who has not felt his heart thrill when seeing Chief Justice Taney on the circuit bench? Then why can this system not be applied to the city of Baltimore?

Mr. B. then reviewed the minority report as presented by Mr. Ritchie, which, he said, amounted to nothing.

The Convention then took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

SIXTY-FOURTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock.

The judiciary report was taken up, the question being on the amendment submitted by Mr. Ritchie as a substitute for the 27th section. Considerable debate ensued, when

Mr. Maulsby moved that the reports of the majority and minority of the committee on the judiciary department, on part 4 of the article reported by that committee, entitled "Courts of Baltimore City," be referred to the delegation from the city of Baltimore, with instructions to report as early as practicable a plan which shall embody the views of their constituents, and with an earnest expression of the hope of the Convention that such plan be agreed on by the entire delegation.

Without action on the motion, the Convention, at 10.05 P. M., adjourned.

SIXTY-FIFTH DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, TUESDAY, AUGUST 6.

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

Mr. Page submitted the following, which was adopted:

Ordered, That on any motion, order or resolution, except amendment to reports of committees, no member of this Convention be permitted to speak oftener than once nor more than five minutes.

On motion of Mr. Thomas, it was

Ordered, That this Convention, will adjourn sine die on Thursday, August 15th, at 2 o'clock P. M.