

additional section should be made the special order for tomorrow. It is as follows:

"No person shall be incompetent as a witness on account of race or color, unless hereafter so declared by act of the General Assembly."

The second additional section was then passed over without amendment. It is as follows:

"It shall not be lawful for the General Assembly to authorize any of the counties, cities or municipal corporations of this State to incur any debt or obligation in making or assisting to make any railroads, canals or works of internal improvement, without the consent of a majority of the qualified voters who may vote in such county, city or municipal corporation, in reference to such debt or obligation, in such manner and at such time and place as the General Assembly may prescribe."

The third additional section was then read:

"The General Assembly shall by law provide for the appointment of a State prison inspector, to visit and inspect the penitentiary, jails, almshouses, hospitals, lunatic asylums and other institutions and places in which persons are or may be confined under the laws of the State, and shall define therein his term of office, salary, powers and duties."

Mr. Brewer, of Montgomery, moved to strike out the entire section, which after some discussion, was agreed to. The Convention then adjourned.

#### FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

ANNAPOLIS, FRIDAY, JULY 12.

Convention met at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hammond.

Mr. Farnandis presented a memorial from the Public School State Teachers' Association upon the subject of education, setting forth, first, that in the opinion of the association an efficient State system of education is the only means by which the blessings of education can be secured to the masses of the people; second, recommending the insertion of a provision in the constitution pro-