

Mr. Barnes said of course it would be impossible if members continued to talk and do no work. He, however, saw no reason whatever why they could not get through by the last of the week. He argued in favor of the election of judges taking place in October, and the withdrawal of the candidates for these offices from the corrupt influences and the log rolling which prevailed at the general elections in November.

The amendment was then agreed to.

Mr. Merrick moved to amend by providing for the election of judges on the same day every fifteen years thereafter, viz: On the Tuesday after the first Monday in November in the countics, and on the second Wednesday in October in the city of Baltimore.

Pending discussion, the Convention took a recess until 8 o'clock.

[Mr. Brown desires the following correction to be made in the report of his remarks of Monday last.]

He found fault with the existing judicial system in the city of Baltimore, but said nothing whatever about the judges. He thought the present organization of the Superior Court and the Court of Common Pleas is defective, because jurisdiction is given to the former in cases over \$1,000 in amount, and to the latter in cases only of less than that amount, a distribution of business which he thought caused inconvenience, and sometimes injustice, but he did not say that those courts were of no value, and is very far from entertaining that opinion. He contended that the Criminal Court should not consist of one judge exclusively, to be elected to serve for fifteen years, but that some of the other judges should in turn sit on that bench.

#### SIXTY-FIFTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock, eighty-one members being present.

The report of the committee on the judiciary was taken up, and Mr. Merrick withdrew his pending amendment to the third section.