

CHAPTER VII

1867 AND AFTER

THE election of the judge of the court from Baltimore City, now called the eighth circuit, under the new constitution of 1867, took place on October 23, 1867, the day of the election of municipal officers; and that for the chief judges of the new county circuits on November 5. Judge Bartol, who had been a member of the court since 1857, and was now a resident of Baltimore City, was elected over Henry Stockbridge in that jurisdiction, and was designated Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals. In the new first circuit, on the lower Eastern Shore, James A. Stewart, of Dorchester County, was elected over Thomas A. Spence, who had been trial judge of the counties in the circuit under the two previous constitutions. John Mitchell Robinson, of Queen Anne's County, who had been trial judge of the tenth judicial circuit under the constitution of 1864, was elected Chief Judge of the new second circuit without opposition. For the new third circuit, Richard Grason of Baltimore County who had been elected trial judge in 1864 but declared by the House of Delegates ineligible for disloyalty and unseated, was now elected Chief Judge without opposition; for the fourth circuit, Richard H. Alvey of Washington County, was elected over George A. Pearre, who had been, since 1865, trial judge under the previous constitution; Oliver Miller, of Anne Arundel County, was elected in the fifth circuit