

of the city and county from which they may be chosen. They shall have all the power now vested in the Orphans' Courts of this State, subject to such changes therein as the Legislature may prescribe ; and they shall be paid a per diem rate for the time the Court is in session, to be fixed by the Legislature, and paid by the said city and counties, respectively, provided its sessions do not exceed one day in each week. It is intended further to provide that the Judge of the Circuit Court for the City of Baltimore, and of the counties, respectively, shall have and exercise appellate jurisdiction over the decisions of the said Orphans' Court, and for the better performance of said duty, shall hold special Court once in each quarter, to be styled "Sessions of the Orphans' Court, to have and decide appeals," and which decisions shall be final ;

Which was rejected.

The question then recurring upon the substitute submitted by Mr. Merrick,

Mr. Brent submitted the following amendment to the substitute :

After the words "Orphans' Courts of the State," insert the words "except the power to order sales of real estate ;"

Pending the consideration of which, ✓

(By unanimous consent,)

Mr. Barnes, Chairman Select Committee, submitted the following

REPORT :

*The Committee appointed under the following order, to-wit :
By the Convention,*

Ordered, That the Committee upon Public Works and Corporations be instructed to investigate such of the proceedings of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as may be deemed necessary by said Committee, and particularly relative to the endorsement by the city of Baltimore of the Union Railroad Company's bonds, and to the building of a new City Hall, and that John H. Barnes, Outerbridge Horsey and Fendall Marbury, members of said Committee, be a Sub-Committee to proceed to Baltimore and there make the investigation.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD,

Secretary.