Pending the consideration of which,

Mr. Davis, of Washington, asked and obtained leave to absent himself from the sessions of the Convention for a few days.

Mr. Hebb gave notice that he would submit the following amendment:

Strike out section 21, and insert:

Sec. 21. For each circuit (the twelfth excepted) there shall be one Judge; the said Judges shall be styled Circuit Judges, and shall hold a term of their Courts in each of the counties composing their respective circuits at such times as now are or may hereafter be fixed by law, such terms to be never less than two in each year in each county; special terms may be held by said Judges, in their discretion, whenever the business of their several counties renders such terms necessary.

On motion of Mr. Stockbridge, The Convention adjourned.

FRIDAY, August 19th, 1864.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McNemar.

All the members present except the following:

Messrs. Baker, Barron, Belt, Berry, of Baltimore county, Chambers, Dail, Davis, of Washington, Dellinger, Dennis, Dent, Farrow, Greene, Henkle, Hoffman, Hollyday, Johnson, Jones, of Cecil, Mace, Marbury, Noble, Peter, Scott, Thomas, Thruston, Valliant, Wilmer—26.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Audoun submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the minority report on Militia and Military Affairs be printed in bill form, and furnished to members of the Convention.