

ments, and request the appointment of a Committee of Conference to adjust the differences between the two Houses. We have appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Gorman, Dennis and Aydelotte.

By order,

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,

Secretary.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Hepbron, from Joint Select Committee, submitted the following

REPORT.

To the Honorable the

Senate and House of Delegates of Maryland:

The undersigned, the Joint Committee, appointed under and by virtue of Article 3, Section 24, of the Constitution, and to whom was referred the following order of the House of Delegates, to wit: "Ordered, That the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Delegates, required by Section 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution, be hereby required, as early as possible, to examine into the expenses of the various Courts of the City of Baltimore, State's Attorney for said city, and the several Clerks of said Courts, and the fees received by them and the said State's Attorney, and report the same to this General Assembly, with such recommendations as to the economy of the same as they may suggest," beg leave to report that they did, at a meeting of said Committee, in order to facilitate the investigations into the various matters with which they were specially charged, appoint five members of the same, to wit: Messrs. Gorman, Hepbron, Snowden, Hoblitzell and Turner, to fully carry out the requirements of said order, who, in the discharge of their duty, did fully examine into the conduct of the offices of the several Clerks of the Courts in Baltimore city, as to their management, economy and expenses, and find that they are conducted with as little expense as could well 'be done, having in view the interest of the business community and the convenience of the public.

We do not find that either an excess of deputies are employed, or that extravagant salaries are allowed in any of them. We also find that the number of deputies and their salaries are entirely, by law, under the control and supervision of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore city, and the Comptroller of the Treasury.

The fees they receive, are those fixed by the laws of the State, and are subject, at all times, to an examination as to