

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wickes submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the Clerks of the several Circuit Courts of this State be requested to furnish this Convention with the following information, viz:—The number of cases—criminal, civil, and in equity—which were tried at the several terms of the Circuit Courts held in their respective counties, in the years 1865 and 1866; what number of suits were brought and indictments found in said several Courts within the period referred to, specifying the number of suits brought to, and indictments found, during each term of Court, and the number of jury trials during each of said terms; the duration of the several terms of Court during said period, and the number of days the petit jury were in attendance during each term; and that the Secretary transmit a copy of this order to each of said Clerks,

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ritchie submitted the following order:

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed by the President, to consider and report upon the usury laws and the rate of interest,

Which was adopted.

The President laid before the Convention the following:

BALTIMORE, *May* 13, 1867.

Hon. R. B. Carmichael,

President of the Constitutional Convention:

SIR—In reply to an order of the Convention requesting the City Comptroller to communicate the amount of money paid Judges of the Orphan's Court, I have the honor to state that there was paid to the Judges of the Orphan's Court for Baltimore city, fifty-five hundred and ninety-four dollars, (\$5,594) during the year 1866.

I am very respectfully

SAMUEL MACCUBBIN,
City Comptroller.

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Vansant,

Referred to the Committee upon the Judiciary Department.

Mr. Merryman submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the President of this Convention be authorized to appoint during his pleasure, one Page in addition to