cords in the orphans court of Baltimore county, reported bill, entitled, An act relating to certain books and records in the orphans court of Baltimore county; which was read the first, and by special order a second time.

Mr. Forrest moved to amend the bill, by striking out the fourth section. Which is in these words. "And be it enacted, that the said court are authorised to allow the said register such a reasonable compensation for his trouble and expenses in performing the services required by this act as they may deem just and right, and the same shall be ascertained and apportioned by them between the county and city of Baltimore, in the same way as the other expenses of the said court in the administration of justice, therein as now ascertained and apportioned, and shall be levied in the same manner, and collected with the other city and county levies."

And the question was put, Will the senate strike out the

4th section as proposed?

The yeas and nays being asked for, were taken and appear; ed as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Forrest

Herbert—2

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Marriott, Prest.

Harrison

Heath

Rees

Sewell
Smith
Thomas
Whiteley—8

Determined in the negative,

So the senate refused to strike out the section.

The question was then put on ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, and determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Harrison from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the prompt payment of witnesses in criminal cases, reported the same with the following amendments, viz.

Amendments proposed: After the word "criminal" in the 13th line of the 1st section, strike out the words "or other."

In the same line, same section, after the word "cases," strike out the words "and also such witnesses as the state may become liable to pay by the acquittal or conviction, and insolvency of the party indicted."

Strike out the 7th section of the bill.

Which amendments were read the first time.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.