and Pennsylvania, to issue additional coupon bonds and secure the payment of the same.

Endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays."

Which was read a first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

## JOINT ASSEMBLY.

The hour of 12 o'clock, noon, having arrived, the Senators of Maryland appeared in the Hall of the House of Delegates, and the two Houses, in Joint Convention, in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress, 1866, chapter 245, entitled "An Act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress," proceeded to hold an election for Senator to succeed the Hon. Geo. Vickers, as Senator from Maryland in the Congress of the United States.

The roll of Senators was then called by the Secretary of the Senate, and the roll of the House of Delegates by the Clerk of the House.

When it appeared, by a viva voce vote of each Senator and Member present, (a majority of all the members elected to both Houses being present and voting,) that on

## JOINT BALLOT

Whereupon, it appearing that the Hon. George R. Dennis had received a majority of all the votes cast, (a majority of all the members elected to both Houses being present, and voting),

The Chairman declared that the Hon. George R. Dennishaving received a majority of all the votes cast by the Joint Convention, (a majority of all the members elected to both Houses being present, and voting), he is, therefore, elected Senator from the State of Maryland, to the Congress of the United States, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March, 1873.

On motion, the Joint Convention then adjourned.

The House then resumed the consideration of the business of the Session.

Mr. Linthicum submitted the following message: