

On motion by Mr. Stevens,

The Joint Convention adjourned.

The Senators having returned to the Senate Chamber and resumed the consideration of legislative business.

On motion by Mr. Earle,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Spencer.

On motion by Mr. Stevens,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to report a bill entitled "An Act supplementary to an Act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maryland Tract Society,' passed at December Session, 1845, chapter 310."

On motion by Mr. Tuck,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill entitled "An Act to provide for restoring and rebinding the Ancient Records in the office of the Register of Wills of Anne Arundel county, and to index the same."

Mr. Billingsley submitted the following

REPORT.

To the Honorable

The General Assembly of Maryland:

The Trustees of St. Mary's Female Seminary respectfully report to your Honorable Body, that the requirements of the Act of the General Assembly of 1868, endowing St. Mary's Female Seminary, have been fully and faithfully complied with.

The present number of pupils, 23—ten of whom are beneficiaries of the State, and three educated by the Board of Trustees. The buildings are in good order; they were repaired and painted the last summer. A fund of \$150 is reserved annually from the State donation for such purposes. The location of this School is upon the St. Mary's River, I believe upon the very spot so sacred to every Marylander from its historic and traditional associations, as the birth place of civil and religious liberty, and surrounded by a scenery most beautiful and picturesque. The buildings are ample for the accommodation of 45 to 50 pupils, with two stairways, one a few years ago built on the outside for escape in the event of fire. It is noted for its exemption from sickness, as there has been no charge for medical attendance for 18 months.

They have a fine corps of Teachers—the Principal, a native of the county, an accomplished and popular Teacher. The Assistant Teacher, an English lady of fine intellectual cul-