WEDNESDAY, January 21st, 1874.

The Senate met.

Prayer by the Rev. W. H. D. Harper.

Present at roll-call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Aydelotte, Blake, Brewer, Billingsley, Brattan, Crawford, Davis, Denson, Earle, Fields, Getty, Knight, Longwell, Lloyd, Mudd, McCulloh, Phelps, Stevens, Steiner, Spencer, Suit, Tuck, Walsh—24.

· On motion by Mr. Fields,

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the House of Delegates, to enter into an election of United States Senator.

JOINT CONVENTION.

The hour of 12 o'clock, meridian, having arrived, in accordance with the message sent to the Senate, and in conformity with the Act of Congress, approved 25th July, 1866, entitled "An Act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for United States Senators in Congress," the Senators appeared in the Hall of the House of Delegates.

Whereupon the members of both Houses convened in Joint Assembly, and the Journal of each House was read, and it appeared that the Hon. Wm. Pinkney Whyte had received a majority of all the votes in each House.

Thereupon, the Chairman declared the Hon. William Pinkney Whyte duly elected Senator, to represent the State of Maryland in the Congress of the United States, for six years from the 4th of March, 1875.

On motion by Mr. Tuck,

The Joint Convention adjourned.

The Senators returned, and resumed the consideration of Legislative business.

Mr. Fields moved that the vote by which the reading of the Journal was dispensed with, be reconsidered.