power George T. Melvin to construct a bridge over Weems creek, in Anne Arundel county.

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The Secretary of the Senate appeared and delivered the following message:

By the Senate, January 21st, 1892.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a Joint Committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the Hon. Arthur P. Gorman, to notify him of his election to the United States Senate, and concurtherein.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Gorter and Waters.

By order,

W. G. Purnell, Secretary.

Which was read.

## JOINT CONVENTION OF THE GENERAL AS-SEMBLY OF MARYLAND.

ELECTION OF A SENATOR IN CONGRESS.

The hour of 12 o'clock, Meridian, having arrived, the Senators of Maryland, escorted by Messrs. McSherry, Carr and Bittinger, the committee appointed by the House of Delegates for that purpose, appeared in the Hall of the House of Delegates, for the purpose of convening with the members of the House of Delegates in Joint Assembly, for the election of a Senator from this State, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Ephraim K. Wilson, who died during the recess of the Legislature of this State and whose term of office would have expired March 4th, 1897.

The Speaker of the House of Delegates assumed the Chair as Chairman of the Joint Assembly.

The Secretary of the Senate then read the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate on the preceding day