

appropriation herein made as shall become due to any State before the adjournment of the regular session of Legislature meeting next after the passage of this Act, shall be made upon the assent of the Governor thereof, duly certified to the Secretary of the Treasury."

The records of the Department fail to show that the provisions of the Act respecting the legislative assent to its purposes has been complied with on the part of Maryland, and as the State Legislature thereof appears to have been in session since January 6, 1892, I have the honor to request that you bring this matter to its attention at an early day as practicable to the end that definite action be had thereon.

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. NOBLE,
Secretary.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, &c.

Mr. Waters presented the evidence on the part of the contestant in the case of Bird vs. Talbott.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Elections.

ORDERS.

On motion by Mr. Moss, it was

Ordered, That Senators Hubner, Bennett, Coffin, Brown, Pearre, Hebron, Evans and Toadvin, and President Lloyd be excused from attendance at to-night's session.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Posey,

Senate bill entitled an Act to add sections to Article 27, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "For the Safety of Persons Traveling on Railroads, and requiring railroads to operate telegraph or telephone service along their lines."

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.