Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Finance of the respective Houses, and that the Committee be and they are hereby instructed to report on March 17th, 1904, a general bill embracing all such bills and leaves, except where there is a special reason for more speedy action, in which case separate bills are to be introduced; and we respectfully concur therein.

By order,
ROBERT Moss,
Secretary.

Which was read.

## JOINT CONVENTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.

ELECTION OF A SENATOR IN CONGRESS.

Pursuant to adjournment.

The hour of 12 o'clock, meridian, having arrived,

The Senators of Maryland escorted by Messrs. Collins and Feaga, 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, for a term of six years, from March 4th, 1905, in succession of the Hon. Louis E. McComas, whose term will then expire.

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

The roll of Senators was then called by the Sectary of the Senate, and it appeared that 22 members were present.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates then proceeded to call the roll of the House of Delegates, and 89 Members answerd to their names.

The Secretary of the Senate then read the Journal of proceedings of the Senate of the preceding day, in