On motion of Mr. Murphy, of Baltimore city, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison be excused from attendance at this day's session on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Orem, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Traeger be excused from attendance at this day's session on account of important business.

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

BY THE SENATE,

January 13th, 1904.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We respectfully invite you to be present in the Senate Chamber at 12 o'clock, meridian, to-day to participate with us in the inauguration of the Governor-elect, and witness the administration of the oath to him by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the State.

We will appoint a committee to wait upon your Honorable Body and conduct you to the Senate Chamber.

By order,

ROBERT Moss,

Secretary.

Which was read.

Mr. Goslin submitted the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

January 13th, 1904.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message inviting this House to be present in the Senate Chamber at 12 o'clock