

is prepared to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make, and we have appointed on the part of the House Messrs. Francis P. Curtis, James W. Foster and James De B. Walbach.

By order,

B. L. SMITH,

Chief Clerk.

Which was read.

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Mr. Crothers submitted the following message :

BY THE SENATE,

January 3rd, 1900.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We have received your message notifying this Senate of the organization of your Honorable Body and requesting the appointment of a Joint Committee to wait on the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly is now prepared to receive any communication which he may desire to make ; this Senate having been organized by the election of Hon. John Hubner as President and Alfred Ritter as Secretary ; we respectfully concur in your message.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Crothers and Williams, of Harford.

By order,

ALFRED RITTER,

Secretary.

Which was read, assented to and sent to the Senate.

The Chair presented the following communication from General Allan Rutherford, Clerk of the Court of Appeals, relative to the Legislature printing, for the January Session, 1900 :

ANNAPOLIS, January 1st, 1900.

To the Honorable, the

President of the Senate of Maryland :

MY DEAR SIR.—I beg leave to hand you herewith my report upon the contract made for the Legislative printing of the session of 1900, under the provisions of Article