

BY THE SENATE,

January 7, 1868.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We have received your message proposing to open the returns of the election for Governor of Maryland, in the Hall of the House of Delegates, to-day, at two o'clock, in the presence of both Houses, in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution of the State, and concur therein.

By order,

H. DAVIDSON,

Acting Secretary.

Also the following :

BY THE SENATE,

January 7, 1868.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We propose, with your concurrence, the appointment of the joint standing committee of the Senate and House of Delegates, as is required to be appointed by the 24th Section of the third Article of the Constitution, who shall have power to send for persons and examine them on oath, and call for all public or official papers and records, and whose duty it shall be to examine and report upon all contracts made for printing, stationery, and purchases for the public offices and the Library, and all expenditures therein, and upon all matters of alleged abuse in expenditures to which their attention may be called by resolution of either House of the General Assembly. We have appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Snyder, Clarke, Parker, of Calvert, Fields, Hyland.

By order,

H. DAVIDSON,

Acting Secretary.

Which were severally read.

Mr. Poteet submitted the following :

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

January 7, 1868.

Gentlemen of the Senate :

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee to visit all the reformatory and benevolent institutions which are beneficiaries of the State, and respectfully concur therein. We have named upon the part of the House Messrs. Poteet, Beck, Blake, and Percy.

By order

MILTON Y. KIDD,

Chief Clerk.

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

Mr. Wentz submitted the following :