Augustus Gassaway, Secretary; Wm. H. Hiss, Reading Clerk; Solomon E. Smith, Journal Clerk; Thomas F. Cox, Sergeant-at-Arms; Abraham Cole, Post-Master; John W. Gibbs, Wm. G. Purnell, Lewis M. Griffith, Reuben A. Bogueley, James M. Lowe, Committee Clerks; Thomas Whitten, Doorkeeper; John D. Johnson, Assistant Doorkeeper; George H. Davis, Messenger; Wm. H. Pennington, E. B. Fuller, Thomas Bond, Folders; Albert Willis, Page.

The several officers present were then qualified by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution.

Mr. Denson submitted the following order:

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to confer and report upon the names of Ministers suitable to officiate as Chaplains in the Senate during the Session.

Which was adopted.

Whereupon, the President appointed Messrs. Denson, Davis and Lloyd as said Committee.

Mr. Walsh submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE,

January 8th, 1874.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate has organized by the election of Hon. John Lee Carroll, President, and the appointment of Augustus Gassaway, Esq., Secretary. We are now ready to proceed with the business of the Session, and propose, with the concurrence of your Honorable Body, the appointment of a Joint Committee of three members, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the Legislature is prepared to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

We have appointed upon the part of the Senate, Messrs. Walsh, Longwell and Earle.

By order,

Augustus Gassaway, Secretary.

Which was read, assented to and sent to the House of Delegates.

On motion by Mr. Earle.

Leave was granted to Messrs. Earle, Tuck and Spencer, to report a bill to amend the charter of the "Baltimore, Chesapeake and Delaware Rail Road Company."

Also, leave to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, (hereafter to be appointed,) to report a bill to so amend the Consti-