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Messrs. Cooper,
Dennis,
Franklin,
Freeman,
Garey.

Humphreys,
Miller,
Steiner,
Welfley—9.

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

The President arose and said :

SENATORS:

By a provision of the Constitution the Session of the Legislature for 1878 expires at 12 o'clock, P. M., this day.

Before separating I desire to express to you in a few words the gratification the session has afforded me in forming the acquaintance and friendship of members of the Senate, which, I trust, may continue during our lives.

I hope the work performed by this Legislature will be of value to the State, and meet the expectations and approval of our constituents. When I accepted the position of your presiding officer, it was with great misgivings on my part as to my ability to discharge the duties of the Chair satisfactorily to myself, and so as to meet your approbation. I can only say I have endeavored to perform those duties without favor, or political bias, and if at any time, I have failed, it has been my misfortune, and not my intention.

Your uniform courtesy and leniency has, in a great measure, aided me in the discharge of my duties as President, and I trust you will accept for this kindness, my sincere thanks.

To the officers of the Senate I am particularly obliged for their diligent attention to their respective duties.

I now pronounce the Senate adjourned *sine die*.

STEPHENSON ARCHER, OF JNO.,

Journal Clerk.

Attest:

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
Secretary.