

On motion of Mr. Chesley is was ordered that Senator Mudd be excused from this evening's session on account of important business.

At 8.10 o'clock P. M. the Secretary of State appeared and delivered a message from the Executive.

At 8.12 o'clock P. M., on motion of Mr. Cooper, the Senate went into Executive Session.

At 8.20 o'clock P. M. the Senate resumed legislative business.

The Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates appeared and delivered the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

January 11, 1916.

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

Governor-elect Harrington will deliver his inaugural address in the House of Delegates Chamber at 11.30 o'clock, January 12. The House extends you a cordial invitation to be present and has appointed Messrs. McDonough and Shartzter a committee to escort your Honorable Body to this hall.

By order:

ALBERT J. ALMONEY,

*Chief Clerk.*

[*Which was read.*]

Mr. Shepherd submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE,

January 11, 1916.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

We have received your invitation to participate in the inauguration of the Governor-elect in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and laws of the State, and we respectfully concur therein.

By order:

P. WATSON WEBB,

*Secretary.*

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