

BY THE SENATE,

January 5th, 1865.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

The Senate has organized by the election of Hon. Charles Ohr, as President, and the appointment of Chapman Harwood, Esq., as 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 five 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 on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Trail and Carroll.

By order,

C. HARWOOD, Sec't.

Mr. Poteet submitted the following message :

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

January 5th, 1865.

*Gentlemen of the Senate :*

We have received your message, informing us of the organization of your Honorable Body. The House of Delegates have organized by the election of the Hon. John M. Frazier, as Speaker, and the appointment of William R. Cole, Esq., as Chief Clerk.

We are now ready to proceed with the business of the session, and concur with your Honorable Body in the appointment of a joint committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

We have appointed Messrs. Poteet, Lee and Smith, of Dorchester, on the part of this House.

By order,

W. R. COLE,

Chief Clerk.

Which was assented to and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Poteet, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, reported that they had performed that duty, and the Governor would communicate with the House immediately.

The following communication was received from the Executive by John M. Carter, Esq., his private Secretary :

[See Document A.]