

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

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered 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 has been organized by the election of 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 read.

Mr. Trail, from the joint Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses of the General Assembly were organized and ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make, reported that the Committee had performed that duty, and that they had been requested by His Excellency to inform the Senate that he would communicate a message to the two Houses in a few moments.

The following message was received from His Excellency, Governor Bradford, by the hands of J. P. Carter, Esq., Private Secretary:

[See Document A.]

Which was read and

On motion of Mr. Carroll,

Ordered, That six thousand copies of the Governor's message and accompanying documents be printed for the use of the Senate; one thousand copies of which shall be printed in the German language.

Mr. Trail submitted the following message: