

making this communication, and our best wishes for your health, happiness and prosperity.

We have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours,

JNO. S. BERRY,

Sp'r H. of D., of Md.

HENRY H. GOLDSBOROUGH,

Pres't Senate of Md.

ANNAPOLIS, March 7th, 1862.

GENTLEMEN:—Your official communication of yesterday, advising me of my having been elected on the 5th instant, “a Senator of the United States from the State of Maryland, for the term of six years, from the 4th day of March, 1863,” is received.

I accept the trust confided to me, in itself, at all times, important, but especially so at this period of our country's trial, with a full sense of its difficulty, and with but a hope that I may prove able to discharge it to the satisfaction of our people.

One thing I can promise, and do promise, that I will devote myself to the duty it involves, and do all which that may enable me to arrest the causeless rebellion, so afflicting to the good and patriotic of all sections, and to heal the dissensions now so much disturbing our harmony and impairing our reputation with the other nations of the world.

Gratefully sensible of the confidence of the Legislature, and of the kind and friendly feelings which you individually express for me.

I remain, with high regard,

Your ob't ser't,

REVERDY JOHNSON.

To the Honorable JOHN S. BERRY,

Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland.

To the Honorable HENRY H. GOLDBOROUGH,

President of the Senate, Annapolis.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

A call of the House was ordered, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Berry, Dent, Harris, of St. Mary's, Westcott, Smyth, Dunbar, Nutwell, Bond, Magruder, Carrico, Davis, of Charles, Johnson, of Baltimore county, Jerome, Pearce, Harrison, Carroll, Leckie, Creswell, Morton, Bowie, Sr.,