

And declared the Senate adjourned *sine die*.

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C. HARWOOD,

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This session has been a most important and eventful one, and the amount of business transacted is, I believe, unprecedented. It has emphatically been a business session. That your labors, in the midst of this whirlwind of revolution, may be reborn to your own happiness, and the honor and safety of this once lovely and happy country, is my sincere and fervent prayer.

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