

Stephenson, Jacob Tome, Charles E. Trail, Robert Turner, Joseph C. Whitney.

On motion of Mr. Tome, the Senate proceeded to the election of President, *pro tempore*.

Mr. Tome nominated C. H. Ohr, the Senator from Alleghany county;

The ballots having been counted by Messrs. Tome and Carroll, Tellers, it appeared that there were thirteen votes cast, of which Mr. Ohr received 11, Mr. Carroll 1, and one blank;

Whereupon it was declared that Mr. Ohr is duly elected President, *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Ohr was then conducted to the chair by Messrs. Tome and Carroll, and addressed the Senate:

After which he qualified before the Hon. T. King Carroll, the Senator for Dorchester county, by taking and subscribing the oath prescribed by the Constitution.

All the Senators present were then qualified by taking the same oath before the President, *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. Carroll,

Ordered, That Chapman Harwood be appointed Secretary; Samuel H. Cochran, Reading Clerk; O. P. Snyder, Sergeant-at-Arms; William H. Charles, John W. Bloomer and Taylor R. Kirk, Committee Clerks; J. B. McNeal, Post Master; Solomon Cromer, Folder; Henry S. Wheeler, Messenger; J. G. Brewer, Door Keeper;

The several Officers present were then qualified by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution.

Mr. Trail submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE,

January 5th, 1865.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

The Senate has organized by the election of Hon. Chas. H. Ohr, as President; and the appointment of Chapman Harwood, Esq., 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,

Secretary.