

President elect to the chair; which duty was performed, and the President, in a short and appropriate address, returned his acknowledgments.

The Senate proceeded to the election of Secretary, and on counting the ballots, Hugh Archer received fifteen votes, and was declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate.

On motion, the Senate proceeded to the election of a Messenger and Doorkeeper.

The names of A.G. McLean and Charles F. Fitchett, were placed in nomination.

Messrs. Kelly, Carter, and Broward, were appointed Tellers.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> balloting,

A.G. McLean received 8 votes.

Charles F. Fitchett received 8 votes.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> balloting, the votes were –

For A.G. McLean 8 votes.

For Charles F. Fitchett 8 “

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> balloting, the vote was –

A.G. McLean 8 votes.

Charles F. Fitchett 8 “

On the 4<sup>th</sup> balloting, the vote stood –

McLean 8 votes.

Fitchett 8 “

Mr. Broward moved to reconsider the motion to go into an election for Messenger and Doorkeeper, which motion was negatived.

Mr. Kelly moved that the election for the present be postponed; which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Kelly, a Committee of three were appointed to inform the House that the Senate had organized, by the election of a President and Secretary, and was ready to proceed to business.

Messrs. Kelly, Broward and Fairbanks, were appointed that Committee.

On motion of Mr. Kelly, the Rules of the last session were adopted for the government of the Senate, until such time as other rules were adopted.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that that body had organized, and was prepared for business.

The Committee appointed to wait on the House, and inform them of the organization of the Senate, reported that they had performed that duty.

The House transmitted to the Senate the following Message:

House of Representatives, November 24, 1846.

*Hon. President of the Senate – Sir:*

The following resolution has been adopted by the House, viz:

“Resolved, That a Committee be appointed on the part of this