

Mr. Gill moved that the House do now proceed to the election of Speaker.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Loane nominated Hon. Jesse K. Hines, of Kent.

Mr. Duer nominated Hon. John A. Koons, of Frederick.

Mr. Seth moved to submit certain papers for the consideration of the House.

The Speaker decided that all motions were out of order until the House was duly and properly organized.

Mr. Seth appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The question then recurring upon the decision of the Chair,

It was sustained.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The nominations for Speaker were closed.

The Chair appointed Mr. Freaner and Mr. Gill to act as tellers.

The election for Speaker was then proceeded with.

Upon the call of the roll, it appeared that eighty-three members were present.

Upon counting the ballots, it appearing that

Hon. Jesse K. Hines had received 54 votes.

Hon. John A. Koons had received 20 votes.

Eight blank ballots being cast.

The Speaker *pro tem.* declared that the Hon. Jesse K. Hines having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Mr. Keech moved that a committee of two be appointed to conduct the Speaker to the Chair.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed Mr. Fowler and Mr. Kemp said Committee, who conducted the Speaker elect to the Chair.

Whereupon the oath of office was duly administered by the Speaker *pro tem.*

The Speaker then delivered the following address, which, upon motion of Mr. Hart, was ordered to be entered on the Journal:

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

Under much embarrassment I rise to thank you for the very great honor which you have just conferred upon me.