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## ARRANGEMENTS

FOR THE

# INAUGURATION OF THE PRESIDENT ELECT,

ON

THE FIFTH OF MARCH, 1849.

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The doors of the Senate Chamber will be opened at 10 o'clock for the admission of Senators and others, who, by the arrangement of the Committee, are entitled to admission, as follows:

The ex-Vice Presidents.

The Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court.

The Diplomatic Corps.

The Heads of Departments, and such as have been Heads of Departments.

Members of Congress elect, and ex-members of Congress.

The Officers of the Army and Navy who, by name, have received the thanks of Congress.

The Governors of the States and Territories of the Union.

The Mayors of Washington and Georgetown.

All of whom will be admitted at the north door of the Capitol.

Seats will be placed in front of the Secretary's table for the President elect and the ex-President and ex-Vice Presidents; and on the floor, on the right of the Chair, for the Committee of Arrangements; and in front, and on the right of the Chair, for the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court; and in front, and on the left of the Chair, for the Diplomatic Corps.

Members elect, and ex-members of Congress will occupy the circular lobby. All others entitled under this arrangement to admission, will occupy the eastern lobby.

The eastern gallery will be occupied by other citizens who will be admitted by the outside northeastern door only.

The circular gallery will be reserved entirely for ladies, who, unattended by gentlemen, will enter the Capitol from the terrace, by the principal western door, and be conducted to the rotundo and gallery.

25-00



Officers of the army, navy, and marine corps, not entitled to admission on the floor of the Senate by this arrangement, but who appear in uniform, will be admitted by the same entrance; and other doors and entrances to the Capitol, except those to be opened under this arrangement, will be kept closed.

The Senate will assemble at 11 o'clock.

The oath of office will be administered to members elect by the President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

The Diplomatic Corps, with the Judges of the Supreme Court, will enter the Senate Chamber a few minutes before the Vice President elect.

The Vice President elect and the ex-Vice President will enter at half-past 11 o'clock, with the Committee of Arrangements, and be conducted by them to their respective chairs. The oath will be administered to the Vice President elect by the President *pro tempore*.

The President elect and ex-President will arrive at a quarter before 12 o'clock, be met by the Committee of Arrangements at the entrance, and be conducted to the seats prepared for them in the Senate chamber.

At twelve o'clock those assembled on the floor of the Senate will proceed to the Eastern Portico of the Capitol in the following order:

The Marshal of the District of Columbia.

The Supreme Court of the United States.

The Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

The Committee of Arrangements.

The President elect and ex-President.

The Vice President, ex-Vice President, and Secretary of the Senate.

The Members of the Senate.

The Diplomatic Corps.

The Mayors of Washington and Georgetown, and the other persons admitted on the floor of the Senate.

On reaching the front of the Portico, the President elect and Chief Justice will take the seats provided for them.

The ex-President, the Committee of Arrangements, and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court will occupy a position several feet in the rear of the President elect and Chief Justice.

The Vice President, ex-Vice Presidents, Secretary and Members of the Senate, will occupy parallel lines next in rear.

The Diplomatic Corps will occupy the next position; and the space immediately in their rear is assigned to the late Speaker, Clerk, and Members of the House of Representatives, and Members elect of the House.

The ladies, and such persons as by the rules of the Senate and arrangements of the Committee are enumerated in the preceding programme, will occupy the steps and the residue of the portico.



On the conclusion of the Address, the oath of office will be administered to the President of the United States by the Chief Justice; after which the Members of the Senate, preceded by the Vice President, Secretary, and Sergeant-at-Arms, will return to the Senate Chamber.

The Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate is charged with the execution of these arrangements; and, with the Marshal of the District of Columbia, aided by the police of the Capitol, is charged with the preservation of order.

All carriages and horses will be excluded from the Capitol square, whether in the use of the military or otherwise.

These arrangements have been made with the desire that the greatest possible accommodation be given to the people to witness the ceremonies. The arrangements within the Capitol were, from necessity, formed with reference to the limited capacity of the Senate Chamber; and those for the exterior were deemed most appropriate, with a view of affording the assembled multitude an opportunity of witnessing the Inauguration.

Should the weather, however, prove unfavorable, the ceremony of the Inauguration will take place in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

REVERDY JOHNSON,  
JEFFERSON DAVIS,  
JOHN DAVIS,

*Committee of Arrangements of the Senate*