

December 8th 1849
The Governor having this day received a communication from General
Benj^r. B. Howard declining to qualify as one of the Senators to represent
this State in the Congress of the United States, according to his appointment
of the 26th of March last, appointed David Stewart Esquire of the City
of Baltimore, one of the Senators to represent this State in the Congress of the
United States to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon
Reverdy Johnson and thereupon issued the following Commission:

State of Maryland

To the Senate of the United States Greeting
Know ye that in virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution
of the United States, having received in the recess of the Legislature official
information of the resignation of the Honorable Reverdy Johnson, one of the
Senators, heretofore elected and appointed, to represent the State of Maryland
in the Congress of the United States, and reposing especial trust and
confidence in the sound judgment and integrity of David Stewart
I have appointed him one of the Senators to represent the said State
in the Congress of the United States, until the next meeting of the
Legislature which shall hereafter happen to supply the vacancy
occasioned by the resignation of the Honorable Reverdy Johnson.

In testimony whereof Philip Francis Thomas Governor of
the State of Maryland have hereto set my hand and
caused the Great Seal of the said State to be affixed on
this sixth day of December in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and forty nine and
of the independence of the United States the seventy fourth.

By the Governor

John Johnson Chancellor

Philip F. Thomas

December 8th 1849

The Governor this day received the following communication from the
Hon David Stewart.

Balt^o Dec. 7th 1849

To His Excellency the Governor of Maryland

Sir:

I have received with due satisfaction
I trust to the honor & responsibility of the appointment, my communication as Senator of the United
States, and in notifying you that I shall promptly repair to the Seat of Government, I
avail of the occasion to say that I shall endeavor to show my high appreciation
of this distinguished mark of your confidence by a diligent and loyal devotion
to the interests of Maryland.

I have the honor to be with sentiments of the deepest regard

your obedient servant
(Signed) David Stewart