COPY OF NOTICE.

CUMBERLAND, Md., November 15, 1866.
Allegany county, Md.

Dr. Charles H. Ohr:

SIR:—I hereby notify you that I intend to contest your seat in the Senate of Maryland, before that body when it next meets in session. I will do so on the evidence I have collected, which satisfies me that you were not fairly or legally elected Senator at the election held in Allegany county, on the 6th day of November, inst.; upon the ground that the Judges of the election in many of the election Districts, refused to receive the ballots of a large number of registered and legal voters, who tendered their ballots to the said Judges, upon which ballots so tendered and rejected, my name was printed for Senator. And upon the ground that armed men were at the polls conspiring with the Judges and acting under the counsel of yourself, threatening force and violence, with intent to overawe and hinder the election, thereby preventing a large number of duly registered and qualified voters from casting their ballots for myself for Senator.

And upon the ground that the Judges of the election, through inadvertance or otherwise miscounted the ballots and made erroneous returns of the number of the votes cast for you and myself respectively. And upon the further ground that the Judges of the election conducted the same on, a theory which was in violation of the Constitution and laws of this State.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ALFRED SPATES.

[United States 5 ct. stamp.]

I hereby certify that I served a notice similar to the within upon Dr. Charles H. Ohr, at Cumberland, Allegany county, Maryland, on the 16th day of November, 1866.

E. J. NEAL.

[United States 5 ct. stamp.]

Sworn before me, this 23d day of November, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

J. M. STRONG, (Seal.)

Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Allegany county.

[United States 5 ct. stamp.]

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