

you of your election as Treasurer of the State of Maryland for the term of two years from and after the day of your qualification.

It must be gratifying to you to again receive this evidence of the confidence of the people of your State. The able manner in which you have conducted the financial affairs of the State in a time of great monetary depression has especially commended you to the confidence of the people.

Permit us to express the wish that your future management of the Treasury may be as successful as the past has been.

We are, with great respect,

Your fellow-citizens,

JAS. C. CLARKE,  
ALFRED SPATES,  
JAS. T. EARLE,  
F. DORSEY HERBERT,  
S. BOYER,  
JOHN N. CONWAY,  
EPHM. ALBAUGH.

To the Honorable Committee, collectively and individually, I tender my grateful acknowledgments for the kind allusions they have made relative to my past official acts, and there is no good reason why my usefulness as one of your fiscal agents should not improve rather than diminish. I am not, gentlemen, unmindful of the great honor you have given me in again fully endorsing me, after having held this responsible office so long, but will only add that I will do the best I can to assure you that the confidence you have entrusted to me shall not be abused.

To be again selected by the representative men of my State, under all the circumstances and complications, is truly gratifying to me, especially when it is known and admitted that my honorable competitor was one of the most popular and elegant gentlemen of this State.

I am at a loss to find words sufficiently strong to express the gratitude and emotions which I feel on this occasion, but permit me to say I do sincerely thank you, from my inmost heart, for the very high honor and compliment you have paid me; for the approval of my official acts since I have been Treasurer; for the approval of my convictions of right and duty toward the citizens of my native State, in lending my humble influence toward restoring every voter to the high and inestimable privilege of citizenship; and, above all, in that you have sustained me, by recognizing me as one of a noble party who has made common cause for the restoration of every State to a proper position in our once happy and glorious Union.