

ing to you the formal notification of your election as United States Senator for a third term from March 4th, 1893.

This high and most uncommon distinction is conferred upon you, sir, by your native State, out of a deep sense of gratitude for the eminently able and patriotic services which you have so splendidly rendered this nation in the Senate, and which, we believe, must ever endear your memory to those who truly cherish a sacred regard for the Constitutional liberties of their country.

It is with pride, pardonable, we apprehend, that Maryland observes the elevation of her respected son and shares happily with the common praise which his brilliant career has produced, and we do sincerely express the hope that to the country may be vouchsafed in you the continuation of that wise, liberal and courageous statesmanship which has already proven its bulwark and protection.

Begging that you will accept this letter, sir, as the message of the Legislature of Maryland, and with sentiments expressive of great honor and cordial congratulations,

We have, sir, the much appreciated distinction of subscribing ourselves your most humble servants,

JAMES P. GORTER,

Chairman of Senate Committee.

LEVIN L. WATERS,

Committee on part of the Senate.

MARTIN R. JOYCE,

Chairman.

JAMES G. BERRET,

CONWAY W. SAMS,

Committee on part of the House.

UNITED STATES SENATE,

*Washington, D. C., January 28th, 1892.*

GENTLEMEN :—You have, by the authority and direction of the Legislature, informed me that I have been elected a Senator from Maryland, in the Senate of the United States, for the term of six years from March 4th, 1893.

I beg that you will say to the Senate and House of Delegates, that I gratefully accept the honor thus