

There will be ten special policemen, in addition to the regular police, who will be commissioned by the Mayor, to lend their aid in preserving order at the polls.

As Chief Magistrate of the city of Baltimore, I call upon all good and order loving citizens to co-operate with me in carrying out the details of this Proclamation.

THOMAS SWANN, *Mayor.*

Baltimore, November 1, 1857.

*His Excellency, the Governor of Maryland,*

SIR:—Believing that the object your official intervention in the matter of the coming election in this City, as to which you have done us the honor to consult us, will be effectually accomplished by the arrangements which the Mayor has now made and communicated to you, we urgently advise you to abandon your purpose of resorting to the military on that day. We do not and cannot doubt that those arrangements will be carried out in good faith, and that the peace of the City and the uninterrupted exercise of the right of suffrage will be thereby effectually secured.

We are with great respect your obedient servants,

B. C. HOWARD,

REVERDY JOHNSON,

CHAS. F. MAYER,

S. W. SMITH,

CHARLES HOWARD,

JOHN THOMSON MASON,

S. TEACKLE WALLIS.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 1, 1857.

*To the Hon Thomas Swann,*

*Mayor of Baltimore.*

SIR:—It is a matter of extreme gratification to me that you have communicated to me the extraordinary and additional arrangements, by which you propose to preserve order at the coming election. Seeing in these the composition of a special police, which affords to all citizens the promise of personal protection, and also of a fairness and impartiality calculated to remove all distrust as to the freedom of the elective franchise on that day, it gives me great pleasure to say that I now contemplate no use of the military force which I have ordered to be enrolled and organized.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. WATKINS LIGON.