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(Signed) H. STOCKBRIDGE.

January 31st, 1865.

To JAMES L. RIDGELY, Esq.

*Sir*:—In the matter of the contested election case now pending before the committee on Election of the House of Delegates, growing out of your memorial to contest my election as Judge of the 8th Judicial Circuit, deeming it but an act of justice to myself, and in accordance with the custom and usage in the examination of charges like those involved in this proceeding, and feeling that it will greatly facilitate the examination, and conduce to the development of the truth, and enable me to know with some degree of certainty upon what I am to be put upon my trial, would ask that I be furnished with a statement of the facts relied upon by you in support of the charges, in order that I may be informed upon what I am to be tried, the times at which the same are located, as near as may be, and the names of the witnesses relied upon, to substantiate the same; and I hereby give you notice, that I shall make such demand upon the committee, and claim to be furnished with the same prior to the commencement of the examination.

Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) RICHARD GRASON.

Baltimore, January 30, 1865.

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(Signed) MILTON WHITNEY.

January 4th, 1865.

BALTIMORE, *February 1st*, 1865.

HON. RICHARD GRASON.

*Sir*:—Responsive to your demand for a more definite statement of the reasons of contest of your election as Judge of the Circuit Court of Baltimore county, &c., I hereby notify you that I contest your election as disqualified to hold the office under the Constitution, for that:

1st. In April and May, 1861, you were in arms against the Government and authority of the United States, and as lieutenant of a squadron or company of cavalry; was actively engaged in armed resistance to the authority of the United States in Baltimore county and elsewhere; destroying means of communication; suppressing the American flag, and setting up some pretended and unauthorized banner or flag of