

State of Maryland
Executive Department
Annapolis November 28th 1853

To
The Honorable W. L. Marcy
Secretary of State
of the United States

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of the U. S.
of Congress

Sir: In accordance with an act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland the accompanying Certificate of election of Members to represent this State in the next Congress of the United States is transmitted to you.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Very respectfully,
Yr. Obedt. Servt.
John Randolph Peun
Secretary of State.

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The Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Howard County

To
J. R. Quinn
Ct. Howard
Co. concerning
informality
of election
returns.

Sir: Your letter without date but received to-day in reference to the election of Ignatius Waters Esquire as Justice of the Peace for the second district of your County has been submitted to the Governor and he directs me to reply as follows; 1st In the body of the return it appears that S. C. Lyons of the second election district had unity six votes for Magistrate. Edward Brown 63 votes for the same, Thomas Watson 54 votes for the same. David S. Thompson 31 votes for the same; and James B. Brooks 7 1/2 votes for the same. In that part of the return the name of Ignatius Waters is not found; neither is it any where stated that he was a candidate for the office of Magistrate. Now is the number of votes received by him given. In the last part of the return declaration of the election the names of the officers elected from William Anthony White to Maria S. Cross inclusive are given serially, with the following defective Commission intended to designate the offices to which