

Chas. W. Huntington  
Office of the Secretary of State  
Washington Jan 9th 1856

Robt. B. Riden Esq

Sir I have the honor to advise you that the  
Governor has this day signed your message on behalf of the State  
in the matter of the State of Maine & Vermont, the same being in  
the name of the State of Vermont in view of the fact that the  
United States for various causes

Wm. Keely  
Genl Secy  
William Cox  
Secy of State

House of Delegates  
Jan 22<sup>d</sup> 1856

To His Excellency the Governor of Maryland

Sir: The Select Committee appointed to consider that  
portion of your Excellency's Message which relates to secret  
political Societies have the honor to enclose to you a copy of  
the Resolutions adopted by the House of Delegates & respectfully  
ask from you such information as you may possess in reference  
to the same, inasmuch as it is a matter of public interest.

I have the honor to be  
Very Respectfully  
Your Excellency's Obedt Servt  
A. Kennedy - Chairman

House of Delegates  
Tuesday, January 8th 1856

Mr. Kennedy offered the following Resolutions:

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