WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY, August, 1863.

DEAR SIR: At the solicitation of many of my friends I have consented to present my name for Principal Clerk of the next House of Representatives of Kentucky—the late worthy Clerk having been elected to the important position of Auditor of Public Accounts for the State.

In presenting myself for this position, I do not come before you without qualifications or experience, having served eight years as Assistant and four years as Principal Clerk of the Senate of Kentucky, and, so far as I know or believe, with the hearty approbation of those who honored me with the position.

I have been a Union man from the commencement of the struggle to overthrow my Country, and have given all of my influence and all of my energies, along with the Union men of Old Kentucky, to prevent Secessionism from getting even a foothold therein.

If I should be honored with the position I seek, I shall do everything in my power to meet the entire approbation of the Representatives of the people.

I refer the Members of the House of Representatives elect, as to my qualifications, both to Senators and Representatives who served in the Kentucky Legislature from 1839 to 1852, as well as to the Public Officers at the Seat of Government for those years, who are yet living.

Very respectfully,

THEODORE KOHLHASS.