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Sir:

Some two weeks since we sent you word through Curators Lee & Smith that as Mr Hunt has declined positively to serve ~~in the~~ Arbitration ~~we~~ proposed that Messrs M. L. Johnson & Jas. O. Haman the other two arbitrators mutually agreed on, be authorized to select the third arbitrator; or at your option ^{that} they go on without selecting a third arbitrator, and if they failed to agree they ^{shd} to call in a third arbitrator; or if neither of these propositions was agreeable to you that you at once name the Arbitrator you desired to serve and we would at once name the person we had selected. Let the two ^{they named} select ^{the} third ^{arbitrator} in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of Curators. To these proposals we have received no reply from you but have been advised by Curators Smith & Lee that you did not accept either of the three offers. These offers we now formally ~~renew~~ ^{wanting} ^{to} ^{clear} ^{up} ^{the} ^{option} ^{of} ^{accepting} ^{either} ^{of} ^{them} ^{if} ^{you} ^{do} ^{not} ^{accept} ^{either} ^{of} ^{them} ^{off}. We now notify you that we will at once name the arbitrator to act in pursuance of the order of the Board, and request you to at once to name the party you desire to