

KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY,

REGENT'S OFFICE,

Ashland, near Lexington, Ky., Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1877

W. G. Withers, H. A. Healdy, &c,  
Gentlemen

The resolutions of the Board of Curators require that you should select one arbitrator, I another, and the two thus selected should select an umpire, In direct violation of its terms, you, for reasons best known to yourselves, selected all the three arbitrators and placed me in the attitude of either accepting these gentlemen, or appearing to avoid the arbitrament of such gentlemen, I accepted your proposition, One only of these gentlemen has answered, Courtesy to them requires me to await the answer of the other two, As soon as their answers are received, I shall be ready to take such steps as may seem proper.

I shall not descend to answer the offensive tone of the letter before me. Whatever delay has occurred has been wholly on account of