

Sir

Washington Oct. 22. 03.

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*Wm. L. Garrison*

Garrison Oct. 22. 03.

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 Robert Davis Peacock esq.

Washington Oct. 22. 13.

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dear Sir, your obedient servant

*[Handwritten signature]*

Recd. Oct. 22. 13.

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