Alexandria, Va., 19 June 1862 Governors Executive Papers – Francis H. Pierpont Box 6, Folder 5

F. H. Pierpont, Governor

I have just returned from the three attempts to post your proclamation at the front door of the court houses of Fauquier & Rappahannock Counties, but without success. I have posted them in different parts of Fauquier but was not able to reach Warrenton, without an escort, and Genl. Geary did not think it prudent to send a sufficient escort from his lines to make it safe. He said a small force would be cut off by the citizens of the town. I was unable to reach Rappahannock at any point.

I did not see any person that would give me the names of the officers of the county, they would talk freely, and was glad to get your address "to the people of Virginia" – of which I have distributed all I had and would be glad to have more as I think it will do a vast amount of good, as the army opens the way – but when I began to talk to them about their aiding in any way, their fears of the consequences immediately manifested itself, and they would not communicate anything.

I have partially succeeded in getting the names of the officers of Prince William, but have not yet got all the magistrates. The records are all gone; both in Prince William and Stafford, and the people do not seem to know anything beyond their own neighbourhood. I will do the best I can – can we not have an election of circuit judge without an organization in all the counties of the circuit.

Yours Jonathan Roberts

Buckland Mills, Prince William County November 16th 1862 Governors Executive Papers – Francis H. Pierpont Box 9, Folder 4 Letter to J. R. Moore Dear Friend

I take the present opportunity to drop you a few lines. I am in good health at the present time, we have been in this place several days, we just received orders to be prepared to march at a moment's warning, and the probability is we may go yet tonight. Well I have a favour to ask of you that is a recommendation to Governor Pierpont for Second Lieutenant of Co. C 3rd Va. Cavalry as there is a vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Marcus W. Eakles. I have been studying who I should write to on such an occasion. I could not think of anyone more suitable in regard to such a request as you. I have been with the company ever since its organization. It would be the wish of all the boys present for me to fill this position as I have always stuck with them in trouble. There is a vacancy for Capt. also so you have an idea what kind of material we have had for Captains I would rather have the second lieutenants position than any other. There is not the same responsibility resting on an under officer as there is on the captain. There is not much news of importance to write you, our army is advancing please answer this and I will reply and give you the particulars of our advance.

Yours with Respect James S. Perry

Direct to – James S. Perry O. S. In care of Lieut j. E. Hoffman Co. C. 3rd Va. Cav. General Seigles Army Corps In the field by Washington DC

Morgantown, Va. November 26th 1862

To His Excellency F. f. Pierpont

Sir, I enclose you Mr. Perry's letter as best means of gratifying his request. He is a man of very fair character & was from the beginning a strong war man & I think a deserving man. Has a family to support & is poor. If you could consistently promote him I think it would be a favor properly bestowed. With best wishes for your health I am very truly

Your Friend J. R. Moore

Alexandria Va., 28th May 1863 Governors Executive Papers – Francis Pierpont Box 10, Folder __

Virginia, Prince William County to Wit:

I James G. Draney, conductor, do solemnly swear that in conducting the election about to be held I will not attempt to influence the vote of any person or be guilty of any partiality for any candidate or person voted for, & as far as depends on me I will make a true return of the results of the election according to law, so help me God.

James G. Draney

Sworn to and subscribed before me a commissioner for said county this 28th day of May G. W. Joy

Virginia, Prince William County to wit:

We the undersigned Free Holders of said County having agreed to hold an election for the County of Prince William & each of us do solemnly swear that we will faithfully execute the office of Commissioners in the election about to be held.

G. W. Joy & A. M. Arrington Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed before me James G. Draney conductor of the election about to be held for said county this 28^{th} day of May 1863

James G. Draney

Virginia, Prince William County to wit:

Personally appeared before me a conductor duly appointed to conduct the election about to be held for said county, John W. Stewart, clerk of the election to be held for said county who

made oath that he would faithfully discharge the duty of writer at the election about to be held to the best of his skill & judgment.

Given under my hand the 28th day of May 1863 James Draney, Conductor

We the undersigned Commissioners certify that at a poll held by Loyal Voters of Prince William County, Virginia on the 28th day of May 1863 that Channey H. Snow received twenty one votes for State Senator for the 23rd Magisterial district composed of the Counties of Stafford, king George & Prince William. Twenty one votes for member of the House of Delegates from Prince William County Virginia as appears from the poll list herewith returned.

G. W. Joy A. M. Arrington

We the undersigned commissioners, conductor & clerk hereby further certify that they & all the persons whose votes are recorded in the poll list above mentioned together with a loyal member of loyal voters & refugees from Prince William County Virginia on this the 28th day of May 1863 went in a steamboat to the mouth of Quantico creek in said county for the purpose of voting at the Precinct of Dumfries having obtained passes for said purpose but were prevented from landing by the Military Authorities of the United States & consequently were not able to open a Poll at said Precinct & were compelled to return & at the City of Alexandria the first place in Virginia where they were permitted to land they as citizens exercised the right of suffrage and they desire that those who received their votes be admitted to seats in the Senate 7 House of Representatives of Virginia.

G. W. Joy A. M. Arrington James Draney Jno W. Stewart

It is hereby certified that at an election held on the 28th day of May 1863 for the counties of Prince William, Stafford & King George comprising the 23rd Senatorial District of Virginia, Channey H. Snow was duly elected to represent the same in the Senate of Virginia.

Given under our hands this 28th day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty three.

G. W. Joy A. M. Arrington

To the Clerk of the Senate of Virginia

Poll taken for Prince William County Virginia on the 28th day of May 1863 for a State Senator and for Prince William for member of House of Delegates of the State of Virginia.

For State Senator C. H. Snow

For Delegate John Underwood

J. C. Kelly

1 (VT) Occoquan

Jos. Seymor 1 1 (F	ENG) Dumfries
James B. Seymor 1 1 (F	ENG Dumfries
W. C. Avery 1 1 (1	NY) Indept. Hill
H. T. Eastman 1 1 (1	NY) Dumfries
E. Duvall 1 (V	VA) Occoquan
J. Curl 1 1 (1	NJ) Buckland
John Depue 1 1 (F	PA) Brentsville
William Turner 1 1 (V	VA) Occoquan
John G. Horner 1 1 (1	NJ) Occoquan
John Berry 1 1 (I	DC) Occoquan
Edward Chamberlin 1 1 (F	PA) Occoquan
T. Selectman 1 1 (V	VA) Occoquan
Thos C. Frazier 1 1 (DE) Occoquan
J. (Jacob) Depue 1 1 ((PA) Brentsville
G. W. Joy 1 1 (VT) Occoquan
J. M. Stewart 1 1 (NJ) Bristoe Sta.
W. Mattox 1 1 ((MD) Haymarket
John H. Cornwell 1 1 ((VA) Dumfries)
A. M. Arrington 1 1 (VA) Occoquan
J. G. Draney 1 1 ((NJ) Occoquan

I James G. Draney certify that C. H. Snow received twenty one votes for State Senator of the twenty third district composed of the counties of Stafford, King George, 7 Prince and John Underwood twenty one votes for the House of Delegates of Virginia and the poll's were closed according to law this twenty eighth day of May 1863.

James G. Draney Conductor