Cumberland May 11th 1851

My dear Sir

Yours of 7th of the current month is now before me. I most heartily concur with you in the reasons urged for the judicious selection of a proper whig candidate for Governor under the new Constitution. This selection of Courtney seems, as far as I can learn, to fix upon him good ground for the main. I have caused an effort to be inserted in our Whig paper of this day, and was also much engaged in conversation with our friends yesterday